





# Seat belts: They're OK, but not proposed enforcement

We have a problem with a recent suggestion by the superintendent of the Illinois State Police, Laimutis Nargelenas wants to give state troopers authority to stop motorists simply for not wearing a seat belt.

Now mind you, it's not that we're opposed to wearing seat belts. So many studies have shown their value that it's almost considered blasphemy to oppose them.

Our problem is that we think the state police have more important things to do — like stopping drivers who exceed the 55 mph speed limit.

It appears to be a matter of priorities: Which law is going to be more vigorously enforced? Is it more important to make sure every driver is wearing a seat belt, or that he or she is adhering to the speed limit?

To us, trying to deliberately catch motorists without seat belts when they have committed no other violation is as much a waste of time as stopping drivers when they are traveling 56 or 57 miles an hour. It just doesn't make sense.

Before state police start that kind of nipping, they better begin clamping down on the speeding cars and trucks on our state highways. Anyone who has traveled I-55

or I-72 knows that 90 percent of the motorists on the road are exceeding the speed limit — and the majority of them not just by two or three miles an hour. Try driving 60 on those roads and you'll find more traffic on your left side than in the lane in which you're driving.

At this point, Nargelenas' suggestion appears to be getting the cold shoulder from the Department of Law Enforcement, which has indicated it will require further study. We hope the department doesn't warm up to the proposal.

Present department policy calls for issuing a seat belt citation only in conjunction with another violation, and if it is the first seat belt offense only a warning is given.

In our view, state troopers are doing a more than adequate job of enforcing the seat belt law right now. Last year they issued some 2,500 tickets and nearly 60,000 warnings for not wearing seat belts.

Let's leave the situation as it is. If the state police have so many troopers and cars that they need more for them to do, then they should put more of them on our interstate catching speeders, who are much more dangerous than a motorist not wearing a seat belt.



## Venice looks to future growth

Venice is much like other communities. The federal government is cutting back or cutting out some of the resources we survive on.

We, here, foresee our area as a prime location for development. The waste disposal incinerator, proposed for a five-acre area, is a boon that Venice feels is its salvation if brought to fruition.

Our location is ideal because of the accessibility of rail, highway and river. Most available land here is owned by the railroad companies, but I'm sure a worthwhile project would enhance the chance of obtaining the necessary land.

oment for our community, because the entities that supported our tax base are fast moving or going out of business here.

Because we are contiguous to Brooklyn and East St. Louis, I expect any riverfront development proposed for that area to reach our borders also.

I feel the Enterprise Zone concept will certainly enhance our chances to induce business here.

We have been fortunate to get the Bissell Apartments, the Venice Senior Citizens Community Center, Lee Park improvements, street improvements and renovations and improvements at the Venice riverfront boat launching area.

We have approved a proposed \$4 million repair and renovation project with the Illinois Department of Transportation for the



## Your Views

**TYRONE ECHOLS.** Mayor of the City of Venice since April 1979, he previously served as a 4th Ward alderman in Venice for six years.

ment of Transportation for the restricting insurance coverage which will facilitate traffic movement.

We also have added a new line item in our bridge budget which will generate funds for necessary repairs to the McKinley Bridge.

I am also an active member of the East St. Louis Development Authority, a vehicle put into place by the Illinois legislature to spur development in the entire Metro East Area.

## Restore fairness to malpractice suits

To the editor:  
Imagine that you are a juror in a medical malpractice trial. The time has come to calculate the damage award which will compensate the injured patient for past medical expenses, lost earnings and other costs arising from the negligent act.

You must also carefully estimate and incorporate the patient's future expenses — such as continuing health care, dependent support, and future lost earnings for as long as they are diminished.

Both the plaintiff and defense attorneys have brought in economic experts to testify on the amount needed to compensate and care for the injured person. You have a reasonable idea of the proper range for these economic damages.

But, you've not yet finished your task. You must next consider any non-economic losses the patient bears due to medical negligence. Pain and suffering, embarrassment, and loss of consortium are a few examples. How do you measure these losses?

The answer is simple: you cannot. There are no guidelines to help juries measure these nontangible, emotion-laden elements of negligent injury.

One might award millions, while another might award little or nothing to similar plaintiffs with identical injuries. There is no consistency and, as a result, no guarantee of fairness or equity for injured patients.

Illinois physicians believe that injured patients deserve consistency and fairness in medical malpractice compensation. We also think the non-economic damage portion of awards has spun out of control.

For these two reasons, the Illinois State Medical Society has proposed a \$250,000 cap on the non-measurable, non-economic

portion of medical malpractice awards. All of a patient's economic losses would continue to receive full compensation. The average 1985 award was \$454,000; by 1990 it is expected to reach \$1 million. Since calendar year 1977, the average claims payout of the state's only physician-owned malpractice insurer, the Illinois State Medical Insurance Exchange (ISMIE), has grown 800 percent.

The largest payout in 1980 was \$643,000; by 1986 that number had reached \$4 million. These costs translate into \$347 million of 1986 malpractice premiums and \$825 million in defensive medicine, all paid for by Illinois patients.

In several small Illinois communities, the result of spiraling non-economic awards hits even harder. There are health care cost increases. In Pinckneyville, one hospital was forced to close its obstetrical ward because it couldn't find physicians to deliver babies.

The high cost of malpractice insurance for obstetricians was to blame. Illinois obstetricians and neurosurgeons face the greatest threat of lawsuit of any medical specialty. For OB/GYNs, jury awards are often based not on the question of negligence, but on the highly emotional impact of an injured infant as the plaintiff.

The consequences for all Illinois patients are more expensive and, sometimes even restricted, access to health care services. That is why reform is essential.

Illinois' medical malpractice crisis stems from legal system excesses, not medical incompetence. Physicians here have worked hard to help state regulators weed out incompetent or impaired doctors. In 1983, doctors voluntarily doubled their licensure fees to fund better investigations by state authorities.

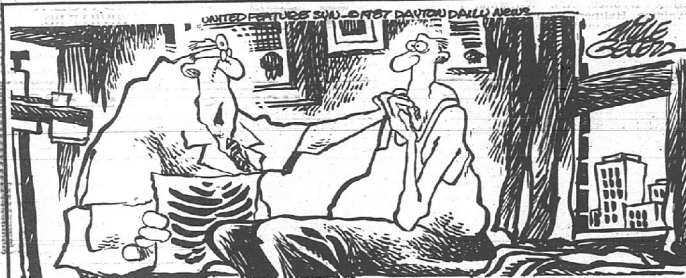
The medical profession has joined with Gov. Thompson to offer a series of reforms for improving medical discipline. These will be debated by Illinois' 1987 General Assembly.

Solving the medical malpractice crisis is much more difficult: 23 states have already enacted caps on medical malpractice awards.

These reforms have saved dollars, while still protecting full compensation for those injured through negligence. Illinois doctors think it's time for our state to follow suit.

A \$250,000 cap on non-economic awards will give juries parameters by which to judge those non-tangible, emotional aspects of a lawsuit. And in doing so, we can begin to restore fairness and equity in a system urgently needing it.

**JEFF E. FREIDHEIM**  
M.D., President, Illinois State Medical Society



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## Costoff outstanding citizen, leader

To the editor:  
Illinois Senate Resolution No. 18: The members of this Senate have learned with great sorrow of the recent passing of Christ Costoff of Madison.

Born in Kerega, Bulgaria, Christ Costoff immigrated to the United States in 1925, and he moved to Madison over 60 years ago.

A retired license investigator for the Illinois Secretary of State, Christ Costoff was active as a member of the Holy Trinity Bulgarian Eastern Orthodox Church, past president of the church board, and a board member of Specialized Services and the Organization for Advancement of the Handicapped.

As an active and energetic

member of the Madison community, Christ Costoff was a Democratic precinct committeeman for 44 years, chairman of the Madison County Democratic Party from 1978 to 1984, and served as an alderman in Madison for 16 years.

Throughout the years, he was active as a member of the Jerseyville Elks Lodge, Granite City Eagles, Aerie, Madison Lions Club, Granite City Moose Lodge, Madison City Organization and Madison County Sheriff's Association; and leaves a proud heritage to mourn his passing in the persons of his wife, Maxine, a sister, Dorothy, two nieces, two nephews and a host of friends.

It is certain that the warmth

and love that Christ Costoff shared with all he knew will long be remembered and treasured by friends and family alike.

Resolved, by the Senate of the 86th General Assembly that we express our sincere sorrow at the loss of Christ Costoff; that we join with those who mourn the loss of a devoted friend and colleague; and to his bereaved family we extend our heartfelt sympathy.

A suitable copy of this preamble and resolution will be presented to Maxine Costoff as a formal indication of our mutually shared sense of loss.

**PHILIP ROCK**  
President of the Senate  
**SAM VADALABENE**  
State Senator

## Price of paper often overlooked problem

In the Depression that followed World War I, it took a wheelbarrow loaded with German currency reaching into the millions of marks to purchase an egg.

After the Civil War, Confederate dollars were useful only for wallpapering.

In both cases the currency wasn't worth the paper it was printed on. Only the paper itself had value, and in those times the value was next to nothing.

Times have changed together with the cost and demand for paper. As American newspaper publishers are especially aware, with wood in demand for everything from elegant dining room furniture to paper cups, the price of paper products has risen

## Media Mandarin

By Jack C. Ventimiglia  
Executive Editor

considerably in the past 10 years, and the increase is felt by newspapers.

The United States leads the world in the use of newsprint, according to *Newsprint and Pulp*. This country last year used 11.5 million tons of newsprint, which is the paper on which newspapers

are printed. The amount accounts for 41.5 percent of the world total.

Though using more newsprint, the "growth in U.S. capacity to produce newsprint will lag far behind other paper and paperboard products through 1989," according to a Dec. 15 report of the American Paper Institute. Though demand is great, a slow rate of newsprint production capacity may be indicative of a supply/demand dilemma for the newspaper industry. Growth in Canadian newsprint capacity is also expected to be small, according to API.

There's very little newspapers can do when faced with increased costs. For awhile increases can be absorbed, but

it's a fact of business life that the line against price increases can only be held for so long before, eventually and with regret, it must be crossed.

The industry is not without hope of alternatives to the cost of newsprint. Technological advances in printing have reduced the thickness and thereby the cost of purchasing newsprint. There has also been experimentation, with encouraging but still unsatisfactory results, to make newsprint from an easily grown weed known as kenaf.

But, for most of the industry, for now and for quite some time to come, there will be continued dependence on newsprint and the associated costs.

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## Monical honored today

A reception will be held today, Feb. 22, from 2 to 4 p.m. at the American Legion Hall in Edwardsville to honor Boy Scout Executive William "Bill" Monical. He is the top executive of the Cahokia Mound Council.

Monical was born in Evansville, Ind., June 1, 1926. He joined the Boy Scouts of America in September 1933 and has had a continuous registration. He served in the Navy from 1943 to 1946, and earned a master's degree from the University of Evansville.

In 1954, Monical became a district executive in the Okaw Valley Council, Belleville, during this time the district lost no units and membership steadily increased. The district earned an award for rural development, and Monical became assistant scout executive.

He assisted in a council merger, participated in redistricting the newly-formed council, and served as camp director for five years.

Between November 1959 and July 1969, Monical held several positions in LaGrange. As district executive, he helped accomplish redistricting. When a surge in growth created the need for two districts, he helped accomplish it. He also served as camp director for three years and was the advisor to the membership and finance committees.

As program director, Monical worked with the leadership training committee, camping and activities committee, health and safety committee, director of the Arrow, Exploring and council commissioner staff.

The council achieved 93 percent top leader training, 100 percent commissioner service and "A" rating qualifications for both camps.

While assistant scout executive, Monical had the following assignments: field director,



Bill Monical

membership, leadership training, commissioner staff, sustaining membership enrollment (SME), coordination of office staff, and editor of the council bulletin. The council made membership gains and met all SME goals over a three-year period.

In July 1969, Monical became scout executive in Granite City, serving Bond County and southern Madison County. The council acquired a new council service center, eliminated a \$50,000 debt, now owns its camping facilities, and has a camping program that is consistently rated "A."

Monical is an active member of Suburban Baptist Church and the Granite City Optimist Club. He plans to remain in leadership of the troop at his scoutmaster.

He and his wife, Georgetown, are the parents of three children, Blake, Kent and Mrs. Laura Tepler, all of Granite City. The Monicals have two grandchildren, Alicia and Kyle Tepler.

Ann Cupples, publicity.

## Scout-o-rama kickoff held

The Uniwah District Scout-O-Rama kickoff was held at the Niedringhaus United Methodist Church. The event is planned April 4.

Bill Monical, Cahokia Mound Council executive, welcomed all ticket sales chairpersons and outlined the prizes to be awarded.

Monical announced there are 15 mystery houses in the area. A scout who tries to sell a Scout-O-Rama ticket at a mystery house will receive a card, good for \$1 at the scout office.

Scout-O-Rama Chairman Charlette Charbonnier introduced Ray Meyenberg, mystery house chairman; Norman Richter, tickets; Barbara Isbrecht, booths; Lucie Luebbe, mystery house coordinator; Bud Charbonnier, vice chairman; Jack Taylor, Order of the Arrow coordinator; Bob Grayson, physical arrangements coordinator; and Mary

Prizes were awarded to Tana Loftus, Ron Crippen, Roger Stagner, Diane Seiz, Tom Saska, Jack Taylor, Jim Seiz, Jackie Arnold, Bob Little, Ren Clark, Carolyn Smith, Patti Thomas, Tricia Stagner, Norman Richter, Ray Meyenberg and Barb Isbrecht.

The Uniwah District Scout-O-Rama will be held at the Wilson Park Ice Rink on April 4. The Illini District Scout-O-Rama will be held at the Collinsville City Garage on Illinois 159, it was noted.

Tickets will cost \$1 each; children under age 7 will be admitted free if accompanied by a parent.

Scouts can earn prizes for selling from 10 to 175 or more tickets. For the first five tickets sold by each scout, a Scout-O-Rama patch will be given, the chairman said.

## Demolition of homes sought

GRANITE CITY — Demolition or repair of two homes in the city will be sought.

The City Council passed two resolutions Tuesday providing for demolition of houses at 2608 Denver St. and 2129 Bryan Ave.

The homes have been deemed

dangerous by city inspectors.

Written notices will be sent to the owners, and the city will apply for a court order to have the buildings demolished or repaired, unless demolition or repair is started within 15 days of receipt of the notices.

## Open house at business college

Plans are complete for an open house at the new Sanford Brown Business College campus here.

All area residents and businessmen are welcome to tour the Metro East campus.

A ribbon-cutting ceremony, computer demonstrations and refreshments will begin at noon and continue through 6 p.m. on Wednesday, Feb. 23, at the new facility, the former Carpenters Union Hall at 617 W. Chain of Rocks Road, Mitchell, newly renovated for business training courses.

Sanford-Brown, one of the oldest and largest of its kind, is its 119th year of service. It also maintains two other campuses, one in St. Ann, Mo., and one in Des Peres, Mo.

The open house will include a demonstration of the college's sixth-month and 12-month training programs in computers, word processing, accounting and secretarial work.

Local dignitaries, high school counselors, teachers, area businessmen and area residents will participate and radio personalities will be on hand with record giveaways.

For directions, reservations and information, Arlene Freeman can be called at 931-0300.

Paneling and carpeting have been installed at the new campus under the direction Bill Tindall of Granite City.

Currently, 47 students have applied and been accepted for training. The first quarter began on Feb. 13. The capacity of the local campus will be 250 students.

Sanford-Brown has made a commitment to employ Illinois residents at its new campus. Campus coordinator is Susan Siemglusz of Elmhurst. Other staff members include Alma Ward of Granite City and Arlene Freeman of Pekin.

coaching and Hagnauer in township and county government. The achievements and accomplishments of each will be included in the program that evening.

Admission will be a donation of \$10. Proceeds from this event will be contributed to the Granite City Elks scholarship fund.

Each year will award a cash scholarship to a student from Granite City, selected by the scholarship committee.

Tickets are limited to 200. The Elks' phone number is 876-9330. Jim McKechnan is chairman of the "citizen of the year" committee and Don Watson is chairman of the scholarship committee.

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The movies will last about one hour.

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The programs will begin at 7 p.m.

## Citizen awards to be presented

Granite City Elks' Lodge 1083 has completed plans for its first annual "citizen of the year" banquet and award ceremony at the Elks Lodge, 1329 Niedringhaus Ave., on Wednesday, March 11, at 7:30 p.m.

The Elks formed a selection committee to observe and evaluate citizens who live in the jurisdiction of the lodge and who have shown leadership in the community, contributed time and effort, and proven to be an "outstanding all-around American citizen."

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## Bailey named as outstanding

J. Craig Bailey, son of Mr. and Mrs. Hancel (Kate) Bailey, 1320 Clark Ave., has been selected for inclusion in the 1986 edition of *Outstanding Young Men of America*.

Bailey graduated from Granite City High School South in 1975 and from Murray State University in Murray, Ky., in 1979, earning a bachelor of arts degree. He worked for Proctor & Gamble from 1979 until 1984, when he

entered the Cumberland School of Law in Birmingham, Ala., where he resides. He will graduate in May 1987.

While in school in Granite City, he was president of the ROCA young men's organization.

At college, he was president of his fraternity, Kappa Alpha. He attends the Church of Christ. Bailey is married to the former Laurie S. Wright, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Rodney (Pearl) Wright of Granite City.

## Pinewood champions

Cub Scout Pack 96 met at Maryville School with Robert Little, cubmaster, presiding. Den 4 gave the opening ceremony.

Advancements were awarded by Assistant Cubmaster Norman Ricktor to Travis Mills, Bear rank and gold and silver arrows; Brian Millsap, Bobcat; Wolf and gold and silver arrows; Joseph Humphreys, two silver arrows; Ted Hall, gold and silver arrows; Richie French, three silver arrows; and Dan Colwell, gold and silver arrows.

Den 3 presented the skit for the night, Den 6 sang a song, and Dens 2 and 5 served refreshments. The Webelos presented the closing and Den 1 was assigned clean-up duty.

The pinewood derby was held and awards were won by: age 7, David Miskelly, first, and Chris Davis and Scott Mills; 8, Eric Jaycox, Ted Hall and Billy Norton; 9, Stacy Hill, Nick Novachev and Matt Little; and age 10,

Chuck Noud, Gred Weckman and Kristopher Brum.

Best-looking car awards went to Matt Little, Chuck Noud and Nick Novachev.

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## Meeting reset in Eagle Park

Icy weather forced cancellation of Tuesday night's meeting for Eagle Park residents to discuss road problems in the unincorporated community. Ed Salmond, Venice Township road commissioner, said Wednesday.

The public meeting has been rescheduled for 3 p.m. Saturday at the Eagle Park Fire Station, Salmond said.

All residents are invited to attend to discuss road conditions and decide what can be done to secure Community Development funds to resurface them, the commissioner said.

We are also going to discuss what measures can be taken to prevent the number of break-ins we've been having here lately," Salmond said Wednesday.

The possibility of establishing a Neighborhood Watch type of organization involving community residents will be explored, he said.

## Consulting firm open

Human Energy Design Systems, an organizational effectiveness and management development consulting firm, has been opened in Edwardsville by Robert J. Holder. The firm provides consulting services in strategic planning, quality assurance, attitude surveys, personnel management, quality circles, organizational development and transformation, customer surveys, training in peak performance, the management of innovation, leadership, creativity, entrepreneurship and conflict management.

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## Trial of attorney begins

Trial of lawyer Robert F. "Pat" Quinn of Godfrey on charges of conspiracy to commit bribery, conspiracy to commit official misconduct, bribery and subornation of perjury began Tuesday in Circuit Court at Edwardsville.

A grand jury indicted Quinn, James W. Barton, then the Madison County supervisor of assessments, and four others in December 1984, alleging they were involved in improper reductions of property assessments. Quinn's case is the last to reach trial.

Quinn was accused of arranging a \$200 payment through Beverly Delaney, his secretary, to a fund which had been established for Barton's defense in an unrelated criminal case.

The payment allegedly was given in return for reductions of assessments of property owned by him or his clients.

The indictment said Quinn reimbursed Delaney for the contribution and then told her to lie about the matter when she testi-

fied before a grand jury.

Delaney was charged with bribery and perjury but the charges were dismissed before trial.

Barton has pleaded guilty to conspiracy to commit bribery and four counts of official misconduct and is awaiting sentencing.

Gerald Bassett, a former employee in Barton's office, was convicted by a jury of conspiracy to commit official misconduct, conspiracy to commit bribery and 10 counts of official misconduct.

Lawyer Merle Bassett, Gerald Bassett's father, was tried in January and is awaiting the verdicts of Associate Judge Charles V. Romani Jr. on charges of bribery, conspiracy to commit bribery, conspiracy to commit official misconduct and perjury.

Earlier, Romani acquitted Fred Finck of Godfrey, a former Board of Review member, on charges of conspiracy to commit bribery, conspiracy to commit official misconduct, obstructing justice and official misconduct.

## TWO MEN ARE INJURED IN

EDWARDSVILLE ROAD CRASH

John T. Pea, 59, of Caseyville, sustained an injury at 12:25 a.m. Feb. 14 when his auto, eastbound on Edwardsville Road just west of Nameoki Road, was involved in a collision near a traffic light.

Driver of the second vehicle involved was Janet L. Bailey, 37, of 22 Wilson Park Drive. Roger P. Pea, 37, of Caseyville, a passenger in John Pea's car, also suffered an injury. Both men declined immediate medical attention.

## MAN RELEASED TO COUNTY

Kenneth E. Hunter, 40, of 2445 Jerden Ave., was arrested there Feb. 13 on a warrant alleging violation of an order of protection, with a motion to increase bail. He was released to the custody of the Madison County Sheriff's Department.

## WHITE FUR COAT STOLEN

Mary Lorech, 3129 Mockingbird Lane, reported Feb. 14 that someone substituted an imitation fur coat in place of her white fur coat, valued at \$900, which had been left on the back of a chair at the Knights of Columbus Hall.



BART SOLON  
President

Q. A friend recently told me I should keep my important papers in a bank safe deposit box. I don't want to appear really dumb but specifically what papers should be kept in a safe deposit box?

A. It's a good idea to keep personal papers such as your marriage license and armed service records, any securities and deeds to property in a safe deposit box. Also, keep records of paid-off debts and appraisals of valuable property in your box. For insurance purposes, if you have a complete inventory pictures of household possessions, keep them safe in your safe deposit box. If you have made a household improvements, keep these records to reduce the capital gains tax when you sell your house. Make up a list of all your insurance policies, bank accounts and any other important numbers. Include a list of where all policies can be located. It is usually a good idea not to put insurance policies and wills in a safe deposit box as there could be a delay in opening the box after death.

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**ALCOHOL WARRANT SERVED**  
Jack Ray Schultz, 22, of 1630 E. 23rd St., was arrested at Lincoln and August avenues Feb. 13 on a warrant alleging failure to appear on a charge of illegal possession of alcohol. He posted \$102 bail and was released.

**COUNTY WARRANT SERVED**  
Gary W. Davis, 25, who had no address listed, was arrested in the 1800 block of State Street Feb. 13 on a Madison County warrant alleging unlawful delivery of a controlled substance.

**MAN BEATEN BY MAN AND WOMAN DURING ARGUMENT**  
Jamie Foster of the 1900 block of Sken Street, Madison, told Granite City police Feb. 16 a male acquaintance struck him with a stick during an argument in an apartment in the 2600 block of East 25th Street.

While Foster and the man were wrestling on the floor, the man put his thumb in one of Foster's eyes. A female acquaintance then hit Foster on the head and shoulder with the stick. Foster suffered a swollen eye and two lacerations to the back of his head.

**BLACK '75 CYCLE TAKEN**  
James Hanks, 1640 Maple Ave., said Feb. 18 someone took a black 1975 Honda motorcycle from his locked shed. The motorcycle has a turquoise-colored gasoline tank.

## Two people injured in Madison mishap

MADISON — Two people were injured Wednesday when an auto was hit head-on by a tractor-trailer at Third Street and McCarbridge Avenue, Illinois State Police said.

Robert Howlett, 67, and his passenger, Cathy Ann Howlett, 62, both of East St. Louis, were taken to St. Elizabeth Medical Center after the tractor-trailer, driven by Paul Bryant, 39, of Columbiana, Ohio, struck Howlett's auto at 1:45 p.m. troopers said.

Authorities said the truck first collided with the rear of a car driven by Sandra Beard, 26, of 270 Sunny Shore Mobile Home Park, before the truck jackknifed and struck Howlett's auto. The Howlett car was destroyed.

Bryant was charged with failure to reduce speed to avoid an accident. He was taken to the Madison County jail in Edwardsville on an Ohio warrant, police said.

## 2 BOOKED ON DRUG CHARGES

Eugene A. Hatfield, 25, of 2247 Grand Ave. and Mark L. Wingert, 25, of 1833 26th St. were charged Feb. 18 with unlawful possession of cannabis for allegedly smoking a cigarette in a car at 32nd Street and Washington Avenue. A plastic bag containing cannabis was found under the front seat of the auto, police contended.

## INDECENT EXPOSURE BY MAN

A man, standing in an alley in the 2900 block between Iowa Street and Madison Avenue, dropped his clothing while he was near a woman motorist at 11:50 a.m. Feb. 16. He is being sought on a charge of indecent exposure. The man was 35-40 years old, heavy set, and was wearing a red and white flannel shirt, blue jeans and a gray hat.

**APARTMENT BURGLARIZED**  
A burglar entered the apartment of Tom Cassen, 2314a State St., Feb. 17 and took a tackle box containing assorted fishing equipment, a back pack containing 75 cassette tapes and a small tool set.

## 2 INJURED IN MISHAP, TREATED AT HOSPITAL

Rhonda K. Altenberger, 22, of 2223 Warren Ave., Apt. 3, was treated at St. Elizabeth Medical Center following an accident at 4:40 p.m. Feb. 18 between her car and the auto of Laura Andrews, 19, of 1545 Garfield Ave., at Niederrhein Avenue, Grand Avenue and 21st Street. The impact forced Altenberger's auto into a car driven by George Balzek, 36, of 2014 Grand.

A passenger in Altenberger's auto, Shari Locandor, 22, of 2254 Delmar Ave., was also hurt, and was treated at SEMC. Andrews was charged with failure to yield the right of way at an intersection.

## Four injured on McKinley Bridge

Four persons were injured in a one-car accident on the McKinley Bridge, Venice, Feb. 14. Deborah Hoefelin, 24, of St. Peters, Mo., was heading east on the bridge when the car she was driving struck two impact barrels and the bridge superstructure, reports said. Damage to the barrels was estimated at \$775 each.

Hoefelin was hurt along with three passengers in the vehicle, including the owner of the car, Cynthia Sprinkle, 24, of St. Charles, Mo., and Timothy Joyce, 27, of 2010 Bryan Ave., and Carl W. Rice, 26, of 2913 Ash Ave.

All four were taken by ambulance to St. Elizabeth Medical Center.

## TRACTOR-TRAILER TRUCK LOOTED ON ILLINOIS 3

Venice police are continuing to investigate the looting of a tractor-trailer truck from which 20 cases of beef frankfurters were stolen Feb. 17.

William Blockton, 74 Lee Wright Homes, Venice, said the truck was parked at Bissell Street and Illinois 3 when someone cut the hap off the trailer and stole the meat products. Each case contained 32 packages of frankfurters.

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# Polka dance was held Saturday night at Croatian Home; other events discussed

Velebit Lodge 222, Croatian Fraternal Union, has announced that its entertainment, chairman Steve Butch Bucherich has arranged a polka dance as a winter celebration. This event will take place on Saturday, Feb. 21, at the Croatian Home, 1000 Madison Ave., Madison, where tickets are now available for \$4 per person; the charge will be \$5 at the door.

Music for the evening will begin at 8:30, with the special performing orchestra being the Alley Cats Plus.

The six-piece band features Terry Dutko on accordion, Howard Bolton on guitar, Vicki Lynn Denkey on drums, Jerry Cassagnaro on trumpet, John Severine on trumpet and Arthur Stawar on the saxophone. Doors will open at 7:45. Proceeds from the dance will go to promote activities in Lodge 222.

A family birthday party was held for twins, Steven and Kasey Miller of Madison, last week. The twins were 2 years old on Feb. 9. They are the children of Rose and Steven Miller and have a sister, Kara.

A video was made by grandparents Edith and Ed Miller. Also present were Joan Miller and daughter Ashley and Janet Miller.

A surprise Over the Hill birthday party was given for Paulette Voloski, a former Madison resident, by her father, Charles Voloski, and sisters and brother, Carla, Charlene, Jeannette and Charles Voloski.

The event was held in South St. Louis, where the hall was decorated in the Over the Hill theme.

A buffet supper was served to Tressa Rhoads, Mary Reeder, Kevin Turley, Dale Hendricks, Rose and Jim Caffrey, Iva Newman, Karen Voloski and Jerry Nizinski, all of Madison, Dottie Caffrey, Brenda Rhoads, Toni and Larry Farrell, Mary Tucker, Donna Elbertson, Marion Stawar, Mary Stawar, all of Granite City, Steve and Aggie Cozine and daughter, Danielle, Charlie and Linda Held and daughter, Jennifer, Mr. and Mrs. Held, Roy Helton, Carol Wilbert, Ruth Goodson, and Fred Kuchel, all of Weissmann and Wayne Allen, Clap, Bill and Linda, all of St. Louis.

On Feb. 10, the family went to her home for birthday cake and coffee.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank (Nellie) Baczewski of Madison have returned from a 10-day visit to Dallas, Texas. They were guests of their son and daughter-in-law, Frank and Cindy (the former Cindy Coughlin of Madison) Baczewski, and granddaughter Emily. While they were there, the birthdays of Frank Sr. and Cindy Baczewski were celebrated.

## 60 attend luncheon for Golden Agers

A covered dish luncheon was served to 60 members and guests at last week's meeting of the Golden Agers Senior Club at the Kirkpatrick Recreation Center.

President Ruby Corbitt offered the invocation and introduced several special guests, including David Morgan, Emylie Alford, Laverne Corbitt, Darlene Laub and Karen Melton.

St. Elizabeth Catholic Church in Granite City was the scene for the Christening of Susan Michelle Ratkewicz on Feb. 1. The ceremony was performed by Father Henry Schmidt during the 10:30 a.m. Mass. The godparents were Charles Schmidt and Theresa Fashen. The infant was born Dec. 26 at St. Elizabeth Medical Center.

A reception was held later at Ravaneli's.

Those present included grandparents Anthony and Frances Ratkewicz of Madison, Thelma Schmidt and Anthony and Pat Ratkewicz, Severna Park, Md., Andrew and Michal Ratkewicz and sons, Ben and Jack, Kansas City, Mo., Arthur and Barb Ratkewicz, Colorado Springs, Colo., Allan and Kathy Ratkewicz, sons, Allan Jr. and Alex, Madison, and Alene Wisniewski, Dayton, Ohio.

Susan is the daughter of Aloysius and Renee Ratkewicz of Granite City.

St. Mary's Holy Name Boosters held a meeting on Feb. 11, at the church. This year St. Mary's Keefner opened the meeting with prayer and addressed the group regarding the financial condition of the Parish.

Members were reminded of the barbecue to be held on March 7 at Engelbert Hall at 2 St. Mary-St. Mark's School hosted a Scholar Bowl, last week. This year St. Margaret's School, under the direction of the seventh grade teacher, Mrs. Diana Prazma, won the event.

Members of the first-place team were Stacie Williams, Alene Wisniewski, Missy Konuch, Tracie Trotts was the alternate.

Marc Paton, Anne Marie Hewlett and Jodi Melzer, all sixth graders from Sacred Heart-St. Joseph, came in second. They were coached by Faith Christiansen and Janet Wilmmsmeyer.

St. Elizabeth, with teachers Linda Schovors and Carol Mathes, was third. Team members included Eric Czerniewski, Robert Haach and Chris Houtapel.

St. Mary-St. Mark's placed fourth in the competition. Team members were Rachel Rathon, Philip Brinker and Donnell Stidham, all of the eighth grade. Trophies were awarded to the first-place team, with ribbons going to the other teams. Refreshments were served.

## Another meeting will be held

A Boy Scout committee meeting was held last week at St. Mary's School. Scoutmaster Larry Brinker reported on Troop 47 and a discussion was held about ways of getting more boys involved. Also discussed was reorganizing the Cub Pack and forming a Tiger Den for grades one, two and three for the fall of 1987.

Games were played during the afternoon hours and prizes were awarded to Nola Heiney, Fred Hacke, Edgar Padecek, Mildred Rees, Peggy Gibbons and Cleveland Cox.

Serving as hostesses for the luncheon were Caroline Lux, Jennie Moody, Carrie Hart, Frances Jones, Elsie Staggs, Peggy Gibbons, Loretta Wysocki and the club president.

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by Kathy Dohnal  
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on March 10 and interested parents will be invited. Attending the meeting were Alan Ratkewicz, Rick Kierski, Mary Ann George and Ed Dohnal.

Natalie Anne Ruesing was Christened at St. Mary's Catholic Church in Madison on Feb. 8 at 1 p.m. She is the daughter of Erin and Aloys Ruesing Jr. Father Jim Keefner performed the ceremony. The godparents were Susan Smith and Mark Ruesing. The baby was born on Dec. 10 at St. Elizabeth Medical Center. She weighed five pounds, 13 ounces, and has one brother, Tony, 2 years old.

Grandparents are Nancy MacAleny and Agnes and Aloys Ruesing Sr. Great-grandparents are Natalie Turski and Anna Ruesing.

A party was held afterward at the home of grandparents Mr. and Mrs. Ruesing Sr. of Madison for 50 relatives and friends. The Christening was witnessed by the students of the confirmation class at St. Mary's Church.

A Valentine's Day party was given for the kindergarten class at St. Mary's School in Madison on Feb. 11. A Valentine exchange was held and refreshments were served. The students wrapped gifts of sachet hearts they had made for their parents.

Present were Miss Jackie Hachekal, teacher, and students Kevin Baker, Jessica Batham, Shaun Benyr, Steven Conatser, Mark Derossert, Linda Dohnal, Bobbie Dorris, Ian Foley, John Kullman, Bridget Long, John Marr, Tamiya Mathis, Tommi Ann Martin, Dennis Narvaez, Staci Ramsey, Jerry Smith, Dawn Turner and Licia Wise.

A Valentine's bity was held by the Madison Senior Citizens on Feb. 12 at the Madison Recreation Center. A Valentine theme was used, with red balloons and candy favors. A box lunch was catered by Lee's Chicken of Granite City. Chosen as king and queen were Ignace Wiese and Margaret Cullenpepper. On Feb. 13 the Senior Band entertained at the Colonial Haven Nursing Home's Valentine party.

Yoblyland Child Care Center held a Beach Party on Jan. 30, complete with blankets, beach balls, suits and hats, sunglasses and portable radios. The highlights of the day were cutting p.m. Refreshments were served to 25 members.

## Students compete

Approximately 300 students from 17 schools, including Granite City, will compete at the regional level of the Illinois High School Mathematics Contest at SIUE Saturday, March 14, according to coordinator Paul Phillips, professor of mathematics at the university.

fresh fruit under a big beach umbrella, listening to the Beach Boys, diving into the indoor wading pool and lunching at the beach on roasted hot dogs. Teachers are Lisa Mayes, Tracey Koening and Cindy Yobby.

Eric Joseph, son of Cathy and Joe Gulash of Madison, was Christened on Feb. 1 at St. Mary's Catholic Church by Father Jim Keefner at 1 p.m. Godparents were Joyce McKinney and Douglas Eaves.

The baby was born on Dec. 24 at St. Elizabeth Medical Center. He weighed 8 pounds, 8 ounces and has a sister, Myrtle Gaudreault. A buffet lunch was served to 35 relatives at the home of the parents.

A birthday dinner was held at Ravaneli's Restaurant by the Quilting Club for Catherine Orris. They returned to her home for dessert and games. The table was decorated with a Valentine theme. Congratulations were extended to Vera Sikora on the celebration of her 50th wedding anniversary. Other attending were Katie Suchich, Katie Measki, Mary Venorsky, Mary Domanski and Mary Ann Bunk.

Matthew and Sue Blattner of Madison traveled to Tampa, Fla., for the wedding of their grandson, Joe Haggard, and Angela Cantrell. St. John's Lutheran Church on Feb. 7. A reception was held at Eeon Lodge.

Also attending from this area was Bob Haggard of Granite City. The groom is the son of Ron Haggard and Marianne Haggard, both of Fort Myers, Fla.

After the wedding, Mr. and Mrs. Blattner spent several days with their daughter, Marianne, in Fort Myers and their grandchildren, Jackie and Monica Clay and husband Douglas. They also saw their great-grandchild, Jordan Ashley for the first time. Mr. and Mrs. Clay and daughter are leaving for England, where he will be stationed.

The Blattners concluded their trip with a visit to Melbourne, Fla., to see Barbara Reinhardt, a former Granite City resident.

The Polish Hall Dancers, sponsored by St. Stanislaus Lodge of Madison, held a Valentine dance on Feb. 14, with 325 attending. The dancers performed and a queen and king were crowned. Prizes were awarded.

A Valentine dance for eighth grade students from area Catholic schools was held on Feb. 13 at St. Mary's in Madison from 7 to 10 p.m. Music disc jockeys were David Dorris, Chris Burns and Bobby Simpson.

Chairman of the event was Marie Sardigal and chaperones were Judy Hartman, Janet Weiner, Donna Dorris and Patricia Petrosky.

Refreshments were served and prizes awarded. Attending were Sister Mary John, principal of St. Mary's-St. Mark's School; Tracy Edwards, Sacred Heart-St. Joseph; Stacie Williams, Amber Rogers, Patty Webb, Jeff Seiz, Nick McLauren, Chris Cupples, Jason Broein, Bridget York, Carrie Boyer, Julie Boyer of St. Margaret Mary; and Chris Hartman, Becky Petrosky, Angela Judd, Sheri Simpson, Greg Voloski, Donnell Stidham, Melissa Economy, LaRon Adams, Beth Scatturo, Michelle Petrosky, Michael Lacuniak, Mark Griffin, Tony Marks, Philip Rink, Rachel Bathon, Sean Terrell and Ticeoral Smith, all of St.

## Mary-St. Mark's.

The 17th birthday of Deann Weidner of Madison was celebrated at the home of her parents, Bill and Jean Weidner, last week. A birthday cake, decorated in a Valentine theme, was served. Those attending were Dawn Hamm, Amy Robertson, Carla Reynolds, Sheri Wilson, Christy Dawson, Vickie Beeker, Melanie Paschedag and Jason Toenyes. Deann is a junior student at Madison High School, where she is a member of the Drama Club, Future Secretaries and Student Council. She is past honored queen of Job's Daughters Bethel 43.

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Born Oct. 6, 1928, in Venice, Rev. Taylor resided in this area for many years and was educated in the Granite City schools. Until 1971, he served in the Southern Illinois Conference of the United Methodist Church.

Rev. Taylor resided in Prophetstown since June 1984 and was serving as pastor of Loraine United Methodist Church in Loraine Township until he recently retired due to ill health. Previously, he lived in Cullum, Ill.

The minister and his wife, the former Melva Voss, were married April 14, 1958, in Granite City. Mrs. Taylor survives.

Beside his wife, also surviving are two daughters, Mrs. Glenn (Jacqueline) Weaver of Gillman, Ill., and Mrs. Leah McCartney of Minneapolis; his mother, Mrs. Alberta Taylor of Granite City; a sister, Mrs. Bobby (Dorothy) Cathey of Granite City; and two grandchildren.

Visitation starts at 4 p.m. today (Sunday) at Myers Chapel of Stackhouse-Moore Funeral Homes in Geneseo, Ill., where services will be conducted by the Rev. Gary Bass and Richard Mick at 11 a.m. Monday. Graveside services will be held at 1 p.m. Tuesday at Lake View Memorial Gardens in Bellevue. Memorials are requested to Loraine United Methodist Church.

## William Gushleff

William Naum Gushleff, 82, a 67-year resident of Madison, was pronounced dead at 7:27 a.m. Friday, Feb. 20, 1987, at his home by Ed Morton, Madison County deputy coroner.

He was born in Kosenetz, Macedonia/Greece. Mr. Gushleff operated the Union Coal and Feed Co., Madison, and also owned a grocery store in Venice for 40 years. He retired in 1979.

Mr. Gushleff was a school crossing guard in Madison for several years. He was a member of Tri-City Lodge 1031, IOOF, and sang in the St. Louis Municipal Opera chorus and with the SUI Society.

His wife, Bernice Gushleff, died Nov. 20, 1980.

Survivors include three sons, Gerald Gushleff and Alderman William Gushleff, both in Madison, and Ronald Gushleff of Webster Groves, Mo., and eight grandchildren.

Visitation will begin at 1 p.m. today (Sunday) at Lahey-Sedlack Funeral Home, 615 Madison Ave., Madison, where the Rev. Peter Stanholdjev will officiate at 10 a.m. services Monday. An Odd Fellows service will be conducted at 6:30 p.m. Tuesday. Burial will be at Sunset Hill Cemetery, Edwardsville. Memorials are requested for the First Presbyterian Church on Holy Trinity Bulgarian Eastern Orthodox Church, both in Madison.

**Molz**  
Marcella (Duncan) Molz, 72, a former resident of the Village Lane Apartments, died at Eden Village Care Center, Glen Carbon, at 1:30 p.m. Thursday, Feb. 19, 1987. She lived at the care center for 2½ months.

A lifelong resident of this area, Mrs. Molz was born in Oklahoma. She was involved in the operation of the Caton Home Grocery for many years prior to her retirement.

Mrs. Molz was a member of Concordia Lutheran Church. She was preceded in death by her husband, Frank Molz.

Survivors include one son, Leslie Caton, Pontoon Beach; a daughter, Mrs. Bill (Barbara) Rauch of Belvidere, N.C.; a sister, Mrs. Anthony (Velma) Schein-schang of Edwardsville; seven grandchildren and three great-grandchildren.

Visitation will be from 4 to 9 p.m. today (Sunday) at Irwin Chapel for Funeral Home, 2901 Madison Ave., where the Rev. David Ratz will officiate at 1 p.m. services Monday. Burial will be at Lake View Memorial Gardens in Bellevue. Memorials are requested for the American Cancer Society.

**Newman**  
Dwight R. Newman, 72, of Baylis, Ill., formerly of Granite City, died at 3:30 a.m. Monday, Feb. 16, 1987, at Illinois Community Hospital in Pittsfield.

He was born in Griggsville, Ill., and lived in Granite City from 1960 to 1975. His first wife, Betty Hruska, died in 1975. He also was preceded in death by two brothers and two sisters.

He was a member of the Griggsville United Methodist Church and the Griggsville Saddle Club. He served in the U.S. Army for 20 years.

He married the former Leona Comerford on Aug. 16, 1976, and she survives.

Other survivors include two daughters, Mary Jo Coy of Granite City and Carol Webb of Buffalo, Mo.; two sons, Robert and Tom Newman, both of Granite City; a sister, Robert's wife, William Newman of California; and nine grandchildren.

Services were conducted at 2 p.m. Wednesday at Skinner Funeral Home in Griggsville by the Rev. Thomas Hill. Burial was at Griggsville Cemetery, with military service conducted by Pittsfield American Legion Post 152.

**Taylor**

The Rev. Kenneth E. Taylor, 58, of Route 2, Prophetstown, Ill., formerly of the Quad City area, died at 11:42 a.m. Wednesday, Feb. 18, 1987, at the Pathway Hospice of Moline Lutheran Hospital, Moline, Ill.

## Services were

conducted for Shirley (Margulen) Kramer, 49, of 3228 Edwardsville Ave., at 7:30 p.m. Friday at Thomas Memorial Mortuary, 2205 Pontoon Road. She died Wednesday morning, Feb. 18, 1987, at Scott Air Force Base Hospital. Her remains were cremated at the Godfrey Crematory. Carl E. Mathias, a longtime Bi-State commissioner and chairman of the Bi-State City enforcement approach that has been launched in Metro-East may see the problem if widespread public backing and strong state governmental support develop, Boyne said. The dumping fees

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either canceling the projects or using the bond portion of the law. Using the bonds instead of a straight tax levy will cost taxpayers about \$80,000 more because of interest and administrative costs, said a district administrator, Larry Schmalenburger.

Trustees Larry Reinnecke and Jenner supported the projects in previous vote, but not the December tax levy to pay for it. Jenner said she disagrees with the use of the state's law as a way to pay for BAC projects. Reinnecke said he would have supported the tax levy if the GCC repairs were left out. On Tuesday Reinnecke switched his position without comment.

Jenner still opposed the projects. Also in opposition was area activist Marian Locke, of Centerville Township.

"You should not have tax increases without a referendum," Locke said.

Trustee Leo Konzen, a Granite City attorney, said he thought the tax levy was a mistake.

"The two projects in question have been under discussion for months. We have to push ahead with the work," Konzen said.

are necessary to finance incinerators and enforcement, he said.

"We'll soon be buried" in trash, Boyne said, estimating that about half of Metro East's landfill tonnage goes to Illinois. He said the Milam landfill south of Madison is probably the best run in the bi-state area but is scheduled for permanent closing July 15.

Stiemler and Tom Adams said St. Clair County had some success in discouraging or delaying new landfills, with the help of the 39-member county board.

They said virtually all kinds of solid and liquid industrial waste are being shipped out of Missouri, where the Department of Natural Resources has taken a stance against polluting the environment. St. Charles County has banned all landfills, it was related.

Bi-State officials said that to create a 60-ton-daily trash-to-energy incinerator, the cost would be about \$60 million, the planning and implementation would take years, and the feasibility has not yet been proven. The group was told that unless an incinerator was competitive in the price it charged, landfills would continue to get the bulk of the trash.

This region's trash may exceed 7,000 tons a day, it was estimated; for all of it to be burned, the investment might have to approach \$1 billion.

**•Pastor**

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**Pastor cites need for police protection**

Klein Street, especially on the north end.

"MORE VISIBILITY of the police department is needed," Williams said.

The church is planning to hire a security guard to patrol the area around the church building, the minister said Wednesday.

"When we get out of church on Sunday, we have a problem crossing the street. It's like a mine field out there. One of these days, a church member is going to get hit. We need some yellow marks in the street or a sign saying 'slow down' or whatever," Williams said.

"I'D LIKE TO SEE the police do more patrolling all over North Venice, not just New Salem Church area," the minister said.

Williams said the auto stolen from church property was a General Motors product belonging to a church deacon. The car was locked at the time of the theft.

**Births**

Births recorded at St. Elizabeth Medical Center include:

GIRLS  
Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Miller, 3217 Wilshire Drive, Feb. 16, Amanda Nicole, 6 pounds, 13 ounces.

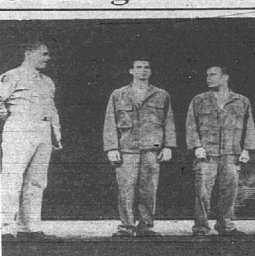
BOYS  
Mr. and Mrs. Roger Carper, 2901 Indiana Ave., Feb. 17, Andrew Ross, 8 pounds, 4 ounces.

Births recorded at Anderson Hospital, Maryville, include:

GIRLS  
Mr. and Mrs. Richard (Debra) Ralph, 55 E. Feb. 11, Janell Ruth, 3120 Aubrey Ave., Feb. 12.

BOYS  
Mr. and Mrs. David (Peggy) Dallas, 2428 Terminal Ave., Feb. 9, Mr. and Mrs. Charles (Lesa) Mohrhead, 2034 Illinois Ave., Feb. 10.

## Coming events



See On stage, Biloxi Blues

### Meetings

AREA ANATOMY ASSOCIATION will meet at 2 p.m. today, Feb. 22, in the Centennial Room at St. Elizabeth's Hospital, 211 S. Third St., Belleville.

OVEREATERS ANONYMOUS will meet from 2 to 3:30 p.m. Sundays and 7:30 to 9 p.m. Tuesdays at the McKinley Building, 22nd and Iowa streets.

### On stage

BILLOXI BLUES will be presented at the American Theater, St. Louis, Feb. 24-March 1. Winner of Broadway's 1985 Tony Award for best play, the comedy is by Neil Simon. Nightly performances are at 8, or 7 on Sunday, plus 2 p.m. Saturday and Sunday.

### Culinary fare

GRANITE CITY DEMOLAYS will hold their annual chili day Monday, Feb. 23, from 11 a.m. to 7:30 p.m. at the Masonic Temple, 20th Street and Cleveland Blvd., featuring chili or a hot dog. Tickets are \$2.50.

### Other events

INCOME TAX ADVICE for senior citizens will be provided at the Moose Lodge, 19th and Adams streets, Tuesdays and Fridays from 9 a.m. to noon by the Tax-Advis program of the American Association of Retired Persons.

### Volunteers asked to fight home violence

GRANITE CITY Volunteers are sought by Phoenix Crisis Shelter, an organization devoted to helping battered women and their children.

The organization has several fine volunteers, but the increasing need to assist abuse victims in this area means the shelter itself needs more help, said Phoenix President Judy Cridler.

The need for volunteers was being discussed Thursday by Phoenix board members when a woman and child came to the door seeking help.

The need is obvious, Cridler said, but added long hours of volunteer work isn't as important as reliability. An afternoon or evening of work per week, for example, would be a big help, she said.

To volunteer, receive more information or get help, call 451-1008.

### Gateway youths banquet honorees

The staff of the Gateway Christian Academy hosted a Valentine banquet for all Mount Zion teenagers.

It was a formal event. A three-course dinner was served in the church fellowship hall.

Pictures of the guests were taken after a Valentine arch. The Living Waters, a Baptist gospel singing group, was part of the entertainment.

Games were played and prizes were awarded to Laurie Hicks, Tracy Phelps, David Morris, Tim Hutchison, Carla Reynolds and Jenny Cornett.

Attending were Matt and Mark Maue, Andy Unger, Kevin Miller, Ricky Collison, Darrell Puley, John Millon, Sean Warren, Chris Yates, Jenny Gibson, Jenny Cornett, Lana Lemaster, Tammy Goodall, Jennifer Maniz, Carla Reynolds, Laurie Hicks, Elaine Roberts, Priscilla and Evangeline Brown, Michelle Proyer, Adrienne Salls, Tracy Phelps and Sherri Wilson.

Staff members are Mack Warren, Grace Bannon, Kimberly Powell, Carolyn Lemaster and Sheryl Goodall.

Mr. and Mrs. Bob Porter are the church youth sponsors.

### Suit against Germania is maintained

SPRINGFIELD U.S. District Judge Richard Mills refused to dismiss a lawsuit, which seeks \$4.35 million in damages against Germania F.A., a regional savings and loan chain.

In an order last week, Mills rejected arguments by Germania lawyers that the lawsuit brought under the federal Racketeer Influence and Corrupt Organizations (RICO) Act failed to specify an alleged pattern of racketeering activity.

The lawsuit was first filed in December 1985 by members of a former apartment cooperative in Springfield. They allege they were defrauded by Germania, and former officers David Kilduff and David Stelbrink because they were persuaded to sell the apartment complex for \$2.95 million in 1981, after which it was immediately resold for \$4.4 million to a group of Kentucky investors. Germania provided 90 percent of the new financing.

The lawsuit alleges the savings and loan firm did not disclose to the Springfield co-op owners that it was involved with the businessmen who sold the apartment to the Kentucky investors, nor did it tell them it had an appraisal putting the value of the property at \$4.9 million.

They also allege Germania realized substantial income from the transaction because it replaced a \$2.72 million mortgage at 8.75 percent interest with a \$4.4 million mortgage at 14.5 percent.

Clarke J. Potter Jr. of Louisville, Ky., and Carlyle L. Michel of Mount Vernon, Ill., doing business as Michel-Potter Properties and Arrowhead Properties Inc., handled the sale to the Kentucky investors and are also named as defendants in the lawsuit.

**We're Sorry!**  
In this week's Venture Stock Up Sale circular, we are advertising gifts 7-14 oversized pocket calculators. Due to manufacturer's inability to ship, they will not be available. Sorry, calculators will not be given. However, we will substitute a different style of pocket calculator, reg. 6.99 on sale for 4.99.

In this same circular, we are advertising mens Volleys Triple V-type activewear short-sleeved pants on page 4. Due to manufacturer's inability to ship, these items will not be available. Rainchecks will be issued.

Also in this same circular, we are advertising Marshall Bravstar figures, G.I. Joe figures and G.I. Joe Night Raven vehicle on page 14. The Marshall Bravstar figures are unable to ship. G.I. Joe figures and Marshall Bravstar figures will be available in limited quantities, but G.I. Joe Night Raven vehicle will be available. Rainchecks will be issued for all three items.

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### Lottery

Results of the Illinois State Lottery were:  
Thursday, Feb. 19: 192  
Pick 4 Game: 3666  
Friday, Feb. 20: 966  
Pick 4 Game: 3778

### Grassroots

Upcoming meetings of Quad-City Area governmental taxing bodies include:

GRANITE CITY SCHOOL BOARD, 6:30 p.m. Monday, Feb. 23, 20th and Adams streets (special meeting).  
NAMEOKI TOWNSHIP, 7 p.m. Monday, Feb. 23, 4250 Illinois 162.  
GRANITE CITY COUNCIL, 7 p.m. Tuesday, Feb. 24, City Hall, 2000 Edison Ave.

PONTIAC BEACH VILLAGE BOARD, 7 p.m. Tuesday, Feb. 24, 3910 Illinois 111.  
MADISON CITY COUNCIL, 7:30 p.m. Tuesday, Feb. 24, 1539 Third St., Madison.

VENICE SCHOOL BOARD, 7 p.m. Wednesday, Feb. 25, Broadway and Seventh Street, Venice (changed from Feb. 26).  
GRANITE CITY PARK DISTRICT, 7 p.m. Wednesday, Feb. 25, Wilson Park office.



## Menus

**Granite City Public Schools**  
Monday - Toasted cheese sandwich, cream of chicken soup, tator tots, chilled fruit cup.  
Tuesday - Beef and noodles, buttered corn, chilled fruit cup.  
Wednesday - Meat loaf, whipped potatoes and gravy, mixed vegetable, chilled fruit cup.  
Thursday - Taco with cheese, buttered vegetable, chilled pears.  
Friday - Fish plate, macaroni and cheese, buttered green beans, chilled applesauce.  
**Madison Public Schools**  
Monday - Ravioli, cheese sticks, tossed salad, pears.  
Tuesday - Cheeseburgers, French fries, fruit gelatin.  
Wednesday - Chili, corn bread, peanut butter, celery sticks, peaches.  
Thursday - Chicken-fried steaks, whipped potatoes and gravy, peas, applesauce.  
Friday - Fish sandwich, spaghetti, slaw, apple pie.  
**Venice Public Schools**  
Monday - Hobo sandwich, celery and carrot sticks, tomato soup, pineapple chunks.  
Tuesday - Sloppy joe on bun, peas and carrots, French fries, chocolate pudding.  
Wednesday - Sliced turkey, buttered noodles, green beans, cherry cobbler.  
Thursday - Pizza squares, buttered corn, tossed salad, fruit cocktail.  
Friday - Fish fillet, macaroni with cheese, applesauce, cookies.  
**Sacred Heart's**  
Monday - Beef ravioli with meat sauce, peas, applesauce, cheese chunks, chocolate pudding.  
Tuesday - Hamburger on bun, French fries, spanish rice, pickles, pears, raisins, nuts.  
Wednesday - Spaghetti with meat sauce, green beans, cheese, slaw, cake.  
Thursday - Pizza, corn, salad.

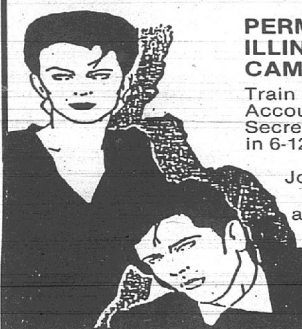
peanut butter cracker, orange jello.  
Friday - Fish sandwich, macaroni and cheese, peas, pickles, slaw, cookie.  
**St. Elizabeth**  
Monday - Pizza, buttered vegetable cake.  
Tuesday - Cheese pups, French fries, buttered vegetable, peanut butter candy.  
Wednesday - Chili, crackers, peanut butter sandwich, applesauce.  
Thursday - Chicken nuggets, salad, cookies, fruit.  
Friday - Vegetable soup, crackers, ham sandwich, strawberry jello with fruit.  
**St. Margaret Mary**  
Monday - Barbecue beef on bun, tator tots, buttered corn, pickles, fruit.  
Tuesday - Roast beef and gravy, mashed potatoes, green beans, lettuce, cookies.  
Wednesday - Fried chicken, buttered rice, corn, lettuce, applesauce.  
Thursday - Spaghetti with meat sauce, mixed vegetables, cheese, slaw, cherries.  
Friday - In-service day - no classes.  
**St. Mary's, Madison**  
Monday - Hot dog on bun, French fries, fruit cup.  
Tuesday - Chili, crackers, peanut butter sandwich, fruit cocktail.  
Wednesday - Hamburger on bun, potatoes, peas, cookies.  
Thursday - Taco salad, mixed vegetables, jello with fruit.  
Friday - Toasted cheese sandwich, vegetable vegetarian soup, raisins.  
**Senior Citizens**  
Monday - Spaghetti with meat sauce, chef salad, French bread, plums.  
Tuesday - Fried chicken, baked beans, Waldorf salad, cookies.  
Wednesday - Salisbury steak, mashed potatoes, green beans, pudding.  
Thursday - Barbecued boneless

ribs, buttered peas, potato salad, applesauce.  
Friday - Ham and beans, cole slaw, corn bread, fruit cocktail.  
**Head Start**  
Monday - Tuna noodle casserole, cole slaw, fruit cocktail, wheat bread.

Tuesday - Sausage pizza, lettuce and tomato salad, French dressing, apricots.  
Thursday - Hot dog slices in pork 'n beans, cole slaw, fruit cocktail.  
Friday - Beef stew, potatoes and carrots, biscuit, orange sections.

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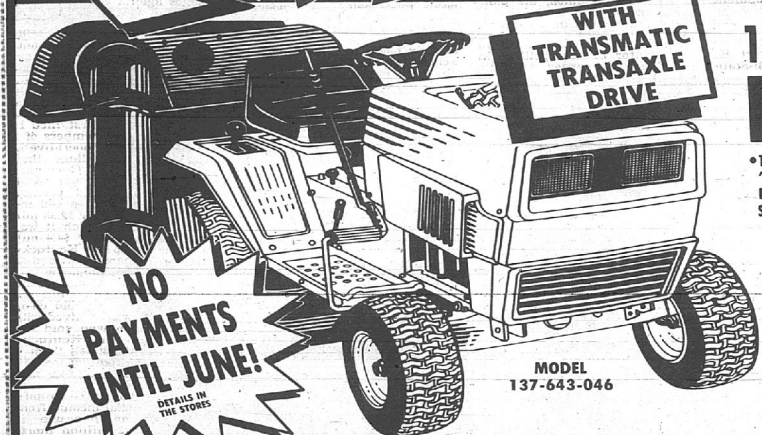


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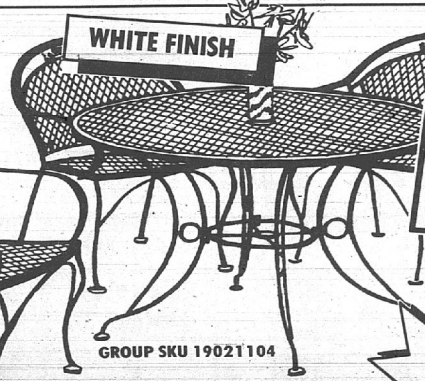
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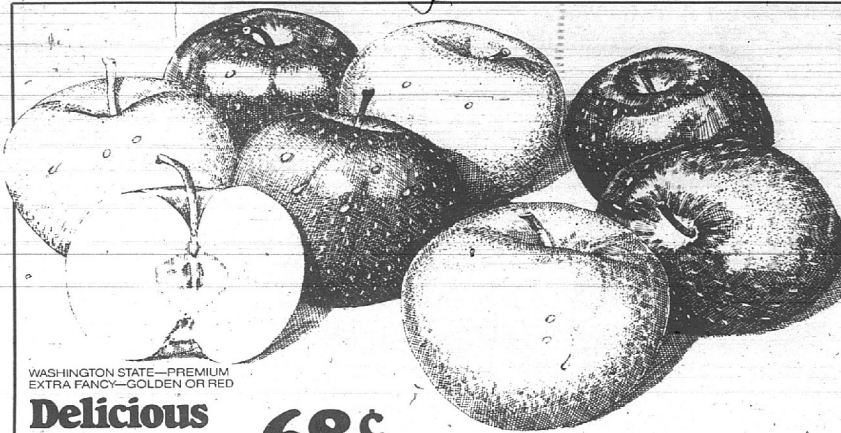
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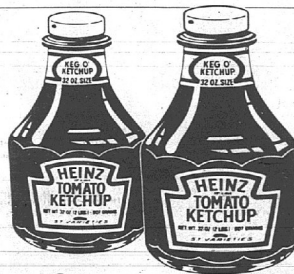
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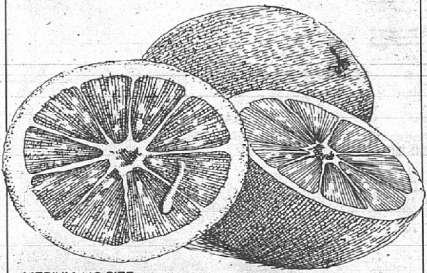
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# MEDICAL & HEALTH PROFILE



## 'Holistic health' emphasized here

"Wellness is a term people are hearing a lot these days. It is no longer enough to be fit and trim; people want to be well."

"Holistic health has come of age," said Karan Onstott, director of the Going Strong Wellness Center, "and health experts and futurists agree that wellness is the trend of the future and today."

To help people make changes in their health habits that will, according to Onstott, "enable them to avoid costly illnesses," St. Elizabeth Medical Center, 2100 Madison Ave., Granite City, has developed the Going Strong Wellness Program.

"Wellness is more than just not being sick," Onstott said. "It's a positive state of health. It means being and feeling one's best physically, emotionally, socially, spiritually and intellectually, regardless of age or physical limitations."

"Because these aspects of the human experience are so interrelated, practices that promote well-being in one area enhance a person's performance in others. For example, people who get regular exercise usually notice they are more mentally alert and that a good workout helps relieve emotional tension and counteracts the effects of stress. When a person feels good and looks good, he or she gets more enjoyment out of life."

"Studies have also shown that healthy lifestyle habits can prolong life and reduce the risk of developing chronic diseases, the leading cause of death and disability today. The best defense against such diseases as heart disease, cancer, stroke and diabetes is prevention."

"Today, many health plans offer wellness programs because maintaining good health is much less expensive than paying for the treatment and rehabilitation that accompany serious illness."

"And as insurance companies

continue to put more financial responsibility on the individual policyholder," said Onstott, "more than ever, individuals are taking personal responsibility for insuring their well-being through health and fitness programs."

"Small changes in one or more areas of a person's lifestyle can make a big difference in the quality of life. The key is to modify only what one feels comfortable doing. Often, small changes motivate a person to make adjustments in areas he or she never thought could be changed."

"That extra effort now can improve the quality of life — as well as the potential for increasing its length."

The Going Strong Wellness Program aims at improving the health of the whole person through ongoing assessment, health education and fitness programs.

Besides the Going Strong Wellness Assessment, the center also provides various support groups including the Coronary Club, Better Breathers, and Outpatient Cardiac Rehabilitation.

Health-related classes currently being offered through the center are Understanding Heart Disease, Managing Stress, Taking Charge of Your Diabetes, CPR, Walking for Fun and Fitness, Fitness Over Fifty, Exercise for Everyone, and Advanced Exercise.

For expectant parents and their families, the center also offers such pre-natal classes as Early Pregnancy, Lamaze, Lamaze Refresher Course, Cesarean Section, Expectant Sibling, Breastfeeding, and Creative Parenting.

For more information on the schedule of classes and other health-related programs offered through the Going Strong Wellness Center, the numbers are 798-3WEL or 798-3855.

## Blood pressure test free

Free blood pressure checks are being offered Wednesday, March 4 from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. at MidAmerica Bank, 1050 Lincoln Trail, Fairview Heights.

St. Elizabeth's Hospital in Belleville, St. Joseph's Home Health in Belleville and Highland, and MidAmerica Bank are providing the service.

Your blood pressure should be checked regularly, especially if someone in your family has high

blood pressure. It is a hereditary disease.

Control often involves medication, but if detected early, it can sometimes be managed through salt reduction, diet changes, weight control, exercise and limitation of alcohol and tobacco.

For more information, call Dorothy Strawn-Lacey, R.N., M.S.N., at St. Elizabeth's Hospital, 234-2120, ext. 1438.



**MEDAL WINNER Tim Redstone** with his many medals, and ribbons won in athletic events. He has been chosen a member of the Special Olympics Team scheduled for competition July 30 to Aug. 8 in South Bend, Ind.

## Tim Redstone named to Special Olympics team

Timothy "Tim" Redstone, 7073 Meadow Lane, Mitchell, has received a letter of congratulations from Kevin P. O'Brien, Special Olympics program director, on his selection to the Illinois 1987 International Summer Special Olympics games team. His selection was based on his accomplishments in his chosen sports as well as the good sportsmanship he has displayed and his dedication to the Special Olympics competition.

Tim, a 16-year-old Down Syndrome youth, has amassed a large collection of both silver and gold medals and has given some to his friends, his mother said. He earned patches and medals in swimming, bowling, and the track and field competition at both the state and local levels.

He learned to swim at the age of 8 with the American Red Cross Handicapped Swim program, and learned to bowl with the Parents for Special Education Bowling League. He now participates in the Field and Track program at Coultage Junior High School, where he

attends school.

Tim with three other special young people of the area who have been chosen to participate in the Special Olympics and two area coaches will be competing in the games July 30-Aug. 8, 1987.

Tim and Denise Forister, of Madison, will participate in the aquatics competition, Charles Johnson of Dupu will compete in athletics, and Brenda Ruedin will compete in bowling.

"The selected participants and the regional coaches, Joanne Higgins and Roscoe Whitfield, will during the next several months be exposed to many exciting opportunities as they prepare for the competition in the International Summer Special Olympics Games," the director said. "A full agenda of training camps, competition and fun activities will lead them to the international games in South Bend, Ind., on the campus of the University of Notre Dame and St. Mary's College."

Tim is the son of Emma Redstone, Mitchell, and Ralph Redstone, Granite City.

## Ask the dietitian

Dear Dietitian, Does the margarine Promise have any cholesterol? A cookie recipe found in the doctor's office calls for one-half cup of Promise margarine, but states "absolutely no cholesterol" and "0 milligrams cholesterol per cookie."

What is the best kind of oil to use, and where can I purchase the American Heart Association cookbook?

Dear A.H.

People who are concerned about too much cholesterol in their diet should use a stick or tub margarine which has liquid safflower, sunflower, corn, or soybean oil listed as the first ingredient on the label. Also, look for partially-hydrogenated oils on labels rather than hydrogenated oils, and avoid margarines made with lard, palm oil or coconut oil, since they contain saturated fats.

Many margarines are available on the market that have "liquid oil" as a first ingredient. Read labels frequently since manufacturers may change their ingredients. However, the recommended oils for baking and cooking are safflower, sunflower, corn, soybean and cottonseed. When a dessert recipe states a specific product and absolutely no cholesterol, check the kind of fat requested and read the label to verify liquid oil as its first

ingredient. If eggs are listed, a low cholesterol egg product would need to be substituted.

Saturated fats (those that harden at room temperature) tend to raise the level of cholesterol in the blood. These types of fats are found in most animal products and hydrogenated vegetable products. Saturated animal fats are meat fats from beef, lamb, pork and ham; and the fat in butter, cream, whole milk, and cheeses made from cream and whole milk.

Saturated vegetable fats are found in many solid and hydrogenated shortenings; and in coconut oil, cocoa butter, and palm oil (used in commercially-prepared cookies, pie fillings, and non-dairy milk and cream substitutes.)

The American Heart Association cookbook is available at various bookstores. If the cookbook is not on the shelf, ask the bookstore to place a special order for you. More information can be obtained by contacting the Edwardsville or St. Louis American Heart Association chapters.

"Ask the Dietitian" is a service provided by the registered dietitians of SEMC. If you have a question, write "Ask the Dietitian," St. Elizabeth Medical Center, 2100 Madison Ave., Granite City, Ill. 62040 or call 798-3156 or 798-3492.

## St. Elizabeth accredited

St. Elizabeth Medical Center, Granite City, was awarded a Certificate of Accreditation by the Joint Commission on Accreditation of Hospitals (JCAH). JCAH accreditation is evidence of St. Elizabeth's efforts to provide quality health care.

"We were always confident that we provide optimum quality health care. This three-year accreditation by the joint commission only confirms it," said Ted Ellerman, president of St. Elizabeth Medical Center.

To become accredited, St. Elizabeth's voluntarily requested an on-site evaluation by JCAH surveyors who applied standards

designed to further the objectives of quality patient care and the safety of the environment in which that care is provided. These national standards represent a consensus among health care professionals and are periodically updated to reflect changes in health care delivery.

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## Low-key VOICES Inc. placed 500 Illinois veterans in jobs last year

VOICES Inc., Granite City, is a low-key veterans assistance group that placed about 500 persons in jobs last year.

The name stands for Veterans Outreach Investment Counseling & Education Services. Free services include stress counseling, help with resumes, and school and job referrals.

Even the coffee in VOICES' offices is free, said Robert Fowler, director. The offices are at 116 Hillsboro in Edwardsville, 3875 Nameoki Road in Granite City, and in Moline.

The organization, incorporated in 1981, does not need to advertise, Fowler said. Veterans hear about it through word of mouth.

VOICES receives federal funding through the Madison County Veterans' Assistance Commission. It also is funded by the Illinois Department of Veterans Affairs.

Fowler said VOICES' provides

post traumatic stress counseling for veterans who still experience stress from combat. It also counsels veterans on benefits they might be eligible for.

VOICES assesses education and work experience of those seeking jobs, and then helps develop resumes. It has phones veterans may use to call about jobs, with a tie line into St. Louis.

VOICES has a toll-free number to its Granite City office which can be used any place in Illinois. The number is 1-800-235-VETS.

The organization was born when Fowler and four other veterans incorporated six years ago, each chipping in \$25 for incorporation papers, he said. The group had been meeting informally in Edwardsville as the Veterans Coordinating Council.

He called the council a think

tank to study solutions to problems common to veterans.

The names of veterans who register with VOICES are put into a computer to be matched with jobs. Fowler is working with veterans agencies in other cities to expand the system so names may be matched with out-of-town jobs.

About 2,500 veterans have registered with VOICES since 1981, Fowler said. The organization currently is working with about 1,000, he said. It also has a mailing list of about 20,000 veterans in an outreach program, he added.

Fowler said VOICES has a regular staff of six persons plus many volunteers who are veterans. They placed about 500 persons in jobs last year, he said.

VOICES is open to all veterans, Fowler said.

## Medicare reductions ignore serious conditions

Most elderly patients entering Illinois nursing homes will receive minimal or no coverage for serious medical conditions as a result of significant reductions in Medicare coverage.

These findings were recently released by the Illinois Health Care Association (IHCA) membership, which represents approximately 300 nursing homes throughout the state.

IHCA's survey found that those Illinois residents past age 65, who are most affected by reductions in the length and types of coverage, had little knowledge and understanding of the current long-term care Medi-

care benefits which are available.

The IHCA survey also indicated that between 1984 and 1985, the number of beds in Illinois nursing homes occupied by Medicare-eligible patients decreased by 46 percent, while during that same period, there was a 337 percent increase in denials.

These statistics illustrate a situation, where a patient who received coverage for a certain medical condition a few years ago is likely to receive no long-term Medicare coverage in 1987.

## Violence shelters gain from fee hike in Illinois

Higher fees will be charged for copies of birth and death certificates to help fund domestic violence shelters.

Legislation signed by Gov. James Thompson Feb. 17 is expected to generate more than \$687,000 through higher fees charged by the Illinois Department of Public Health.

The governor noted the new funding will partially replace revenue the shelters lost when the Illinois Supreme Court declared unconstitutional a \$25 charge on marriage licenses earmarked for aiding battered wives and children.

The cost of birth cards, short-

form, computer-generated birth and death certificates and the cost of a certificate search will be increased from \$5 to \$10 effective May 1.

Raised from \$10 to \$15 on the same date will be fees for birth certificates, certificate corrections, name changes and paternity certificates.

The Department of Public Health is also authorized to design fancy "commemorative" birth certificates for a yet undetermined fee by May 1.

Half the proceeds from those sales will go to the domestic violence shelter fund and the other half to the child abuse prevention fund.

## Classes for health

SIUE will offer a number of non-credit courses in exercise, and self-improvement during the spring quarter at various prices. For information, the number is 692-3210.

## Volunteers being sought

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## Photos given with ultrasound

In addition to high-technological advances brought by a new ultrasound system at Saint Anthony's Hospital in Alton, expectant mothers receiving ultrasound imaging at Saint Anthony's can take home photographs and videotapes of their soon-to-be-born babies.

As part of the hospital plans for a women's pavilion, pregnant women undergoing ultrasound scans at Saint Anthony's

will each receive six black-and-white photographs of their forthcoming babies, produced from the ultrasound images, as well as photo albums for their babies' "first portraits."

Another extra feature of the ultrasound system is the ability to purchase videotapes of the actual ultrasounds. Saint Anthony's ultrasound staff will offer pregnant mothers three-minute videotapes of their ultrasounds.

The videotaping will be done free, if a VHS videotape is brought in at the time of the ultrasound. Blank videotapes for the purpose of ultrasound taping may be purchased from Saint Anthony's.

The ultrasound system recently purchased by Saint Anthony's provides greater detail of ultrasound imaging in all types of medical conditions.

## Federal support for state health plan

The Illinois Department of Public Aid's innovative approach to the purchase of hospital care for needy persons has received continued federal approval from the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, said Acting Director Michael L. Taylor.

Approval for the Illinois Competitive Access and Reimbursement Equity (ICARE) program, first implemented in 1985, has been documented as saving taxpayers more than \$84 million per year, according to a Peat, Marwick and Mitchell study cited by Taylor.

"Since hospitals have been required to compete against each other for their portion of Illinois' tax-dollars by negotiating contracts for health care, the cost to taxpayers has been reduced, while the quality and availability of health care the cost to taxpayers has been reduced, while the quality and

availability of health care for the needy has been improved," Taylor said.

"Now that the department has been granted the go-ahead for continuing the ICARE program, our goals in the purchase of hospital care will continue unchanged. Those goals are to shift routine hospital care away from large, expensive hospitals to the less expensive community hospitals, while continuing to guarantee access to any specialized services our patients will need," Taylor said.

Of continued significance to the department will be specialized care that infants and children may need. The Department of Health and Human Services has approved Public Aid's use of competition in purchasing pediatric care, as well as all other kinds of care hospital patients may need.

In addition to any routine hospital care infants or children

may need, Public Aid contracts specifically guarantee access to those specialty services these patients need.

"The department has contracted for all the various specialized hospital services children may need and will continue to ensure that this is the case. Quality health care is the right of every Illinois citizen," Taylor said.

Public Aid is renegotiating hospital contracts with hospitals in Chicago and will be negotiating new contracts with hospitals outside Chicago later in the year, he said.

"The continuing support of the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services of our ICARE program, is based upon Public Aid's past performance in providing access to necessary hospital services, while at the same time proving to be a cost-effective means of purchasing inpatient care," Taylor said.

## Quality of SEMC mammography exam earns ACS award

St. Elizabeth Medical Center's Radiology Department was the recipient of the 1986-87 Mammography Survey Certificate of Participation given by the American Cancer Society Illinois Division Inc.

Presented by David P. Winchester, M.D., ACSID president, this certificate was awarded for meeting mammography radiation dose guidelines and satisfactorily completing a review of image quality.

St. Elizabeth Medical Center

is an approved examination site, meeting the strict guidelines of the American Cancer Society, insuring a safe, low-dose, high-quality examination," said George Garrigus, SEMC radiology director.

"Our CGR mammography system is considered to be the current state-of-the-art equipment, providing excellent image quality in addition to producing one of the lowest radiation doses in the industry."

"To further protect our

patients," said Garrigus, "our system is evaluated frequently by a health physicist for radiation exposure to ensure patient safety."

"In comparison to the latest information from the National Institute of Health, our low-dose mammography exposure is 33 percent below their typical exposure rate."

For more information on mammography screenings, SEMC can be called at 798-3181.

## One out of ten women will develop breast cancer.

Perhaps the two most frightening words to a woman are breast cancer. The number one killer of females, breast cancer is a disease caused by uncontrolled growth of abnormal cells in the breast tissue. But with detection, effective treatment can be started immediately, therefore improving the patient's prognosis. The survival rate among women who find cancer before it is noticeable is 97 percent.

To answer the need for early detection of breast disease, St. Elizabeth Medical Center has established the Breast Diagnostic Program, which provides mammographies at almost half the cost of such procedures being done elsewhere. A convenient, non-invasive procedure, a mammogram provides patients with high quality, high sensitivity images with minimal radiation exposure. (Physician referral is necessary)

Following the guidelines by the American Cancer Society, this simple, painless exam is currently the best method of detecting breast disease. The ACS recommends all women age 35 to 40 have an initial, routine mammogram; diagnostic exams periodically between age 40 and 50; and yearly exams after age 50.

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## Despite fear, most haven't changed their sexual conduct

Illinois residents believe AIDS will become an epidemic for the general public, but many say they have not changed their sexual behavior to reduce the risk of catching the deadly disease.

A survey conducted by the Illinois Department of Public Health also showed those who are the least knowledgeable are also the most fearful.

"This survey supports the urgent need for educating the public on the facts about AIDS. We need to convince every sexually active person to avoid practices that can threaten not only their lives, but the lives of their loved ones as well," said Dr. Bernard J. Turnock, director of the Illinois Department of Public Health.

"We commissioned this survey to serve as a benchmark to

track the awareness, attitudes and understanding of Illinois residents about acquired immune deficiency syndrome," Turnock said. "It will help the Department of Public Health plan an effective and aggressive public education program to stop the spread of this fatal disease."

AIDS is the most serious medical problem facing the country, according to more than half of the respondents in the survey. Three quarters mentioned AIDS as one of the three most serious diseases facing the nation, ahead of cancer and heart disease.

Most of those polled (86 percent) felt it was somewhat or very likely that AIDS would become a general public epidemic, and yet slightly over three-quarters of the respondents

said they have not taken any precautions to avoid getting AIDS.

Less than half of the single respondents said they have reduced the number of their sex partners, and fewer than a third used safe methods.

The majority of the people polled were knowledgeable about the ways in which AIDS can and cannot be spread. However, those giving the most inaccurate answers were the youngest (16- and 17-year-olds), the oldest (53- to 64-year-olds), Chicago residents, blacks and Hispanics.

These findings are based on a random sample telephone survey of 800 Illinois residents, ages 16-64, conducted by an independent research firm in January 1987. The sample was selected to reflect regional, racial, and edu-

cational differences across the state.

The department has been allocated nearly \$2.4 million this fiscal year by the General Assembly for AIDS control activities, including creation of a special AIDS unit in the Chicago office.

The department has awarded nearly \$1 million to local health departments for counseling and testing, \$450,000 to Hill and Knowlton of Chicago for a public education campaign, \$191,000 to the Howard Brown Memorial Clinic to expand operation of the state AIDS hotline, 1-800-AID-AIDS, \$91,230 to the Illinois State Medical Society to train 17,000 Illinois physicians, and \$60,250 to the Illinois Alcoholism and Drug Dependence Association to reach drug users.

## Seasoned salt contaminated

Dr. Bernard J. Turnock, director of the Illinois Department of Public Health, has advised consumers not to use a seasoned salt product because of contamination with sodium nitrite, which could cause illness and possible death if consumed.

The product is epicure seasoned salt sold under the brand names of Kammenstein and Crystal Foods, manufactured by Kammenstein of White Plains, N.Y., Turnock said. The products, in two- and three-ounce containers, were part of spice racks.

The U.S. Food and Drug Administration has issued a national recall because the product contained 6.25 percent sodi-

um nitrite. The recall involves all seasoned salt produced under the two brand names since Oct. 1, 1986. The brands do not carry lot numbers.

If consumed, the product could cause nausea, vomiting, diarrhea, headache, rapid heartbeat, difficulty in breathing, convulsions and a rapid drop in blood pressure.

Retailers and distributors who have handled the product include: The Market Group of South Holland, Lovell's Distributor, a division of Lowell Supply of Bloomington; McDade's Co. Inc. of Carol Stream; Bergners of Peoria; and Mill Distributors of Murphysboro.

## Improved ultrasound system offered at St. Anthony's

St. Anthony's Hospital in Alton recently acquired a new technological innovation in ultrasound imaging that provides outstanding reproduction quality for medical diagnosis.

The system enables physicians to more easily recognize and differentiate major tissue types, as well as structural features of internal organs.

Dr. Richard Lang, radiologist at St. Anthony's, said the ultrasound system indicates a trend that is revolutionizing

health care: greater use of computers in diagnostic medicine.

"With this system, we can see tiny detail better than we could before. This is an important advantage in many medical conditions, especially for pregnant women, whose developing fetus can be monitored for potential abnormalities at a much earlier stage of development," Lang said.

Such fine details include the ability to reveal a fetus' profile

when the head is only two inches wide.

Lang added that because of the dramatic improvement in image resolution the system provides, earlier and more accurate diagnosis is now possible.

"This system will enhance our diagnostic capabilities and provide doctors and their patients with timely information for improved patient care," he said.

St. Anthony's new system is

## Auxiliary donates funds to Abuse Center

Members of Eagles Auxiliary 1126 presented a check for \$1,710 to the Rape and Sexual Abuse Care Center, located at SIUE.

The total raised by the local auxiliary was \$1,235 and on the state level the auxiliaries in Illinois have raised over \$27,000 to support the center.

The local auxiliary was one of 35 which received the grant from the state auxiliary. Susan Murray and Margi Wagner-Farley, counselors for the Rape and Sexual Abuse Care Center, gave a program and showed slides at the meeting. They said that the SIUE office is the major center for this part of the state and serves 11 counties in the immediate area.

The money will be used by the ICASA (Illinois Coalition Against Sexual Assault) in its focus of "prevention of abuse and neglect of children with a commitment to protect the child while making every effort to preserve the family."

ICASA provides a statewide network of community-based services for women, children and men with counseling, advocacy and information on sexual assault and sexual abuse. It also

provides services to organizations, agencies, civic groups and concerned individuals with public education and training about sexual assault and sexual abuse.

Along with its prevention program, the association offers workshops, public speakers, poster campaigns and donations of child-care literature to the hospital maternity ward.

A program of volunteers to serve as parental aides is also fostered by the association, and they are asked to attend court hearings on criminal cases of child sexual abuse.

The association has recently launched a program to educate children in techniques of protecting themselves against sexual abuse. The SIUE Center now has about 1,800 clients and contacts over 1,000 people per year, adding 30 clients per month. They now have three full-time counselors, four part-time counselors, and three secretaries.

Along with the local interest, the 1985-86 Illinois Eagles Auxiliary state president, Corrine Neuman, of Melrose Park, selected child abuse prevention for a state project.

## Podiatrists join medical staff

Dr. Alan Gittersonke and Dr. Michael Hiatt announced they are on staff at St. Elizabeth Medical Center, Granite City.

Gittersonke and Hiatt will hold a free foot screening sponsored by St. Elizabeth on Feb. 28 from 7-5 p.m. The screening will be held at the Going Strong Wellness and Rehabilitation Center on Iowa and Niedringhaus, formerly the McKinley School. This will give the public the chance to meet both doctors.

Gittersonke and Hiatt are also on the Sanus Health Plan. A spokesman said, "Please con-

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## Serving our country



Steven Whitehead

Steven Whitehead, son of Mr. and Mrs. Warren (Hazel) Whitehead of Venice, graduated last week from basic courses at Fort Sill, Okla., where he is continuing to take Advanced Individual Training. A graduate of Madison High School, Whitehead also worked at Red Fox Supermarket in Venice. He joined the service Nov. 21, 1986. After completing AIT at Fort Sill, Whitehead is scheduled to take airborne training at Fort Benning, Ga., starting March 4. His duty station will be Fort Bragg, N. C.

### Brent Baker Sr.

Second Lt. H. Brent Baker Sr., whose wife, Robylee, is the daughter of the Rev. Vernon (Dorris) Brown, 1661 Fifth St., Madison, graduated with honors from the U. S. Air Force supply operations officer course at Lowry Air Force Base, Colo. The lieutenant is a 1984 graduate of Southern Illinois University at Carbondale. His parents, Mr. and Mrs. Howard L. (Mary A.) Baker, reside in Centralia.

### James Sims

Army Pvt. James W. Sims, son of Sharon K. Scott, 2112 Nevada Ave., and grandson of Thomas J. Scott, 40 Shirwin Drive, has arrived for duty with the 12th Engineer Battalion in West Germany. Sims, a vehicle mechanic, is a 1986 graduate of Greenwood High School, Collinsville. He completed basic training at Fort Dix, near Trenton, N.J.

### Kenneth Goff

Navy Petty Officer 2nd Class Kenneth E. Goff, son of Mr. and Mrs.

Eugene (Jeanette) Goff, 2015 Rhodes St., Madison, has returned from a Northern Pacific Deployment aboard the aircraft carrier USS Constellation, homeported in San Diego.

The Constellation participated in local events during her port visits and hosted thousands of visitors in Alaska, Vancouver, British Columbia, Canada, and Seattle. The most outstanding port call during the tour was at Anchorage, Alaska, where the Constellation was greeted as the first aircraft carrier ever to visit the port.

### Thomas Lyons

Thomas M. Lyons of Granite City has joined the Army Reserves under its Split Option Training Program, according to Staff Sgt. Mary A. Patterson of the Army Recruiting Station, 3675 Nameoki Road. Lyons presently is a student at Southern Illinois University. Under the Split Option Training Program, an enlistee must undergo training on a schedule that does not interfere with school or work.

An Army Reservist serves one weekend out of each month and two weeks of summer training each year. Lyons will serve in the Reserve with the 24th Infantry Hospital at St. Louis and will receive benefits of the GI Bill, Sgt. Patterson said.

To learn more about the Army and Army Reserve opportunities, young persons meeting the physical and aptitude standards are invited to contact Sgt. Patterson at the recruiting station or call 875-8660. Details about cash bonuses, skill training, educational aid, travel options and other benefits, including the GI Bill Plus the Army College Fund, Split Training Options, Delayed Entry Program are available, the sergeant said.

### Jarrod Thompson

Marine Lance Cpl. Jarrod L. Thompson, son of Mr. and Mrs. William (Henrietta) Terrell, 1029 Bissell St., Venice, has been promoted to his present rank while serving with the 1st Marine Aircraft Wing at the Marine Corps Air Station Iwakuni, Japan. Thompson is a 1984 graduate of Auburn Senior High School in Rockford. He joined the Marine Corps in October 1985.

### Roger D. Scott

Staff Sgt. Roger D. Scott, whose wife, Cheryl, is the daughter of Lyle Banes of Granite City and Sharon Banes of O'Fallon, Ill., has re-

enlisted in the U. S. Air Force at Myrtle Beach Air Force Base, S. C., after more than six years of military service.

Scott recently graduated from the Air Force non-commissioned officer leadership school at Myrtle Beach AFB, where he studied techniques of leadership, management and supervision.

The sergeant is an administration supervisor with the 354th Tactical Fighter Wing. He is the son of Roger D. Scott of St. Louis and Ann L. Ehil of Hazelwood, Mo.

### Kenneth Meyer

Marine Lance Cpl. Kenneth A. Meyer, son of Mr. and Mrs. Charles N. (Carole L.) Meyer, 647 Chouteau Ave., recently reported for duty with the 2nd Marine Division at Camp Lejeune, N. C.

A 1983 graduate of Granite City High School North, Meyer joined the Marine Corps in February 1984.

### Eric Easley

Eric G. Easley of Granite City has qualified for the Army College Fund with his two-year enlistment in the U. S. Army, according to Staff Sgt. Mark McMurray of the U. S. Army Recruiting Station, 3675 Nameoki Road.

The enlistment will allow Easley to accumulate up to \$17,000 in the Army College Fund, which will help

him pay for his education after completion of service, McMurray said.

A senior at Granite City High School, Easley will report for duty Aug. 17 at Fort Benning, Ga., where he is scheduled to take basic training and Advanced Individual Training. Easley also has received written guarantee from the Army that he will be trained as an infantryman, the job specialty of his choice.

Young persons meeting the Army's physical and aptitude standards may call McMurray at 876-8660 to learn more about opportunities in today's Army.

The sergeant has information on the GI Bill Plus the Army College Fund in which a recruit can accumulate as much as \$25,200 for future college expenses. He also has details about cash bonuses, skill training, educational aid, travel options and various other benefits now available.

### Stacey Chevalier

Stacey L. Chevalier, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. James W. (Connie) Pyle, 2311 Hodges Ave., has been promoted in the U. S. Air Force to the rank of airman first class.

Chevalier is an administration specialist with the 31st Equipment Maintenance Squadron at Homestead Air Force Base in Southern Florida.

Her husband, USAF Airman 1st Class Peter J. Chevalier, is the son

of Barbara J. Chevalier of Farmingdale, N. Y.

### Shawn Brown

Army Spec. 4 Shawn A. Brown, son of Nancy L. Brown, 1025 Market St., Venice, has arrived for duty with the 14th Signal Battalion in West Germany.

Brown, a communications system operator, is a 1984 graduate of Madison High School.

His wife, LaDonna, is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Roland E. (Cheryl) Bailey of Godfrey.

### John Browley

Navy Seaman Recruit John T. Browley, son of Vera L. and John T. Browley Sr., both of Madison, has completed recruit training at the

Great Lakes Recruit Training Command.

In the eight-week training cycle, Browley studied general military subjects designed to prepare him for further academic and on-the-job training in one of the Navy's 35 basic fields. Upon completion of the courses, he will be eligible for three hours of college credit.

A 1986 graduate of Madison High School, Browley joined the Navy in June 1986.

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## Aviation maintenance program set at Parks

The 13th annual Midwest General Aviation Maintenance Seminar and Exhibit will be held March 11 and 12 at Parks College of St. Louis University in Cahokia.

Sessions are from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m., with a lunch break at noon. The event is jointly sponsored by Parks College, the Illinois Department of Transportation, the Professional Aviation Maintenance Association and the Federal Aviation Administration. More than 50 companies in the aviation industry are expected as exhibitors. There is no charge for the seminars and exhibit.

The seminars are geared to pilots, managers, technicians, mechanics, avionics specialists and manufacturers of aviation products. Aviation industry representatives will present semi-

nars in four major areas: airframe, engines, avionics and accessories. Participants may choose from 32 sessions over the two-day period, eight in each of the four areas. Included are such topics as composite structures, propulsion systems, preventive maintenance, microwave landing systems, thunderstorm avoidance and fuel metering. Persons holding FAA inspection authorization will be able to renew their certificates by attending eight seminar sessions. Representatives from the FAA offices in St. Louis and Springfield will be present to renew certificates.

For more information, Dr. Tim Brady can be contacted at Parks College, 337-7500.

## Navy Mothers donate funds

Quad City Navy Mothers Chapter 850 held a business meeting last week at the VFW Hall with 17 mothers present. One new member, Betty Chums, was given the oath of obligation, and a guest, Sharon McWilliams, was introduced.

Draping of the charter was held by Della Rabb, who died Feb. 1.

Members voted to send \$25

each to the Variety Telethon, Easter Seal Society and the Hart Fund, and \$50 was allowed for the state commander's project for small bedside radios for the Great Lakes Naval Hospital. A mystery package was won by Mrs. Lyle Banes and a special prize was given to Nina Molsinger.

The chapter is to meet again Feb. 26 at the VFW Hall.

## Arts fund workshop

Rep. Jim McPike and the Madison County Arts Council are sponsoring an information workshop on the program grants offered by the Illinois Arts Council and how to apply to the council for funding for arts programs and events.

Bill Seebach, director of performing and communications arts at the IAC, and Scott Brigham, performing arts program representative, will lead the workshop on Wednesday, March 4, at 7 p.m. at the Holiday Inn, 3800 Homer Adams Parkway, Alton.

The deadline for applying to the Illinois Arts Council for funding for fiscal year 1988 programs is March 10, 1987.

All non-profit arts groups and all artists in Madison County are invited to attend. To reserve seats at the workshop, interested people may call John Peecher at the MCAC, 656-8014.

## Newspaper attorney to discuss media law

The SUE campus chapter of the Society of Professional Journalists, Sigma Delta Chi, will sponsor a lecture Friday, March 6, on "Media Law."

The lecture is scheduled to begin at 9 a.m. in the Television Studio, Room 1020, of the Communications Building.

Robert Hoemeke, an attorney with Lewis & Rice, will be the guest speaker. Hoemeke legally represents Capital City Communications, Pulitzer, CBS, the Granite City Press-Record/Journal and others.

For further information, the number at SUE is 692-8223.

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# Sports

## Sports Comment

By Dave Whaley

### Illini-Gateway: Red Devils vs. ????????????

Well, the Venice Red Devils won another conference title this week.

What a struggle it was. The Devils, as any schoolboy knows, are a member of the rugged Illini-Gateway Conference, surely one of the toughest loops in Illinois. Every year, Venice has to slug it out with such small school powers as Livingston, Metro East Lutheran and — gasp! — Worden.

Those six games are undoubtedly the highlight of Venice's schedule, and Devils fans probably rush right down to the high school to secure their tickets for those big conference clashes as soon as the schedule comes out.

Sarcasm aside, what in the world are the Devils doing, celebrating their title with these guys? The best answer is they don't waste a whole lot of time with them. Venice's conference games are usually quick and brutal, much like an electric-chair execution.

The Devils have lost one game in the four-year history of the conference, that being a 78-73 loss at Metro East Lutheran last year. They had an overtime game with the Knights the year before that added a smattering of other semi-competitive games, but mostly it's been a string of laugher.

Highland St. Paul gave the Devils a run for the conference crown last year, but the school closed its doors at the end of the year, leaving only four teams in the I-G. Four teams isn't enough for a real conference, and it might look a little better if the other three teams could give Venice a good game once in a while.

East St. Louis Assumption is joining the fold next year, and although the Pioneers are a power now, they have a young team, and the talent pool in East St. Louis is large, so they can hope for them. But that didn't help this year, when the conference "race" was probably the last thing on Clinton Harris' mind.

The highlights on the schedule this year were the U.S. Shootout, the SIUE Superfan Spectacular and the games with Vashon, Madison and Lovejoy. A game with Sumner would have been another dandy, but it couldn't be worked out.

Harris smiles whenever the conference is brought up, but it wouldn't be surprising to see him break out laughing. Let's look at how the Devils fought their way to the conference crown this year.

They started with an 88-50 win at Metro East, then rolled to a 104-43 win over Livingston and a 119-60 shellacking of Worden. The return match with the Knights was the toughest, as Venice won 76-63, then came back for a 124-26 win over Worden and a 111-72 triumph at Livingston.

The Devils averaged 103 points in their conference games this year and allowed an average of 56. Real tough.

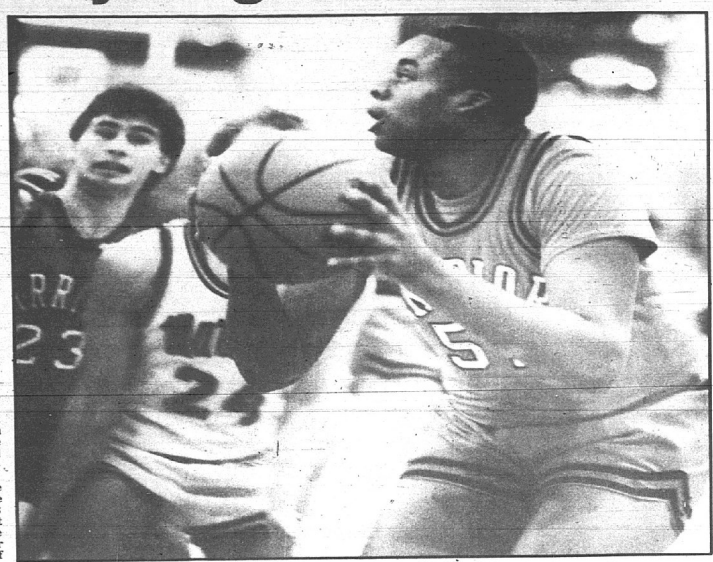
Livingston is the best of the rest with a 15-9 mark. The Eagles compete well with other small schools in their area, but they had no chance against the Devils. Metro East is 7-15, and the hapless Trojans of Worden are 0-18 and have lost 123 of their last 126 varsity games in five years. Worden might consider dropping varsity sports for a couple of years and build up a JV program. The fact they have to play Venice twice is almost inhumane.

Most of the Venice players say the games don't do them any good, except maybe to cushion their scoring averages. But the starters get taken out before their totals run too high. The Venice reserves benefit the most, as Orlando Love, John Marchbanks, Kevin Gardner, Lionel Wiley and Rosea King run up and down the court to their heart's content.

Maybe these teams will improve in the coming years. But how about independents like Madison and Waterloo-Gibson? They would make the conference look a little better, and they would probably welcome the opportunity to play the Devils twice every year. Venice and Madison home-and-home every year would be a snap.

But as it stands right now, Venice has just about clinched the Illini-Gateway Conference title for 1987. Sure, Jesse Hall will be gone as well as six other seniors. But with Dale Turner, Daryl Jackson, Kevin Wiley and others returning, the Devils will be very good again. Some new blood couldn't hurt the conference.

# Taylor gets 23 in win over Tigers



TOM TAYLOR was the big gun in the Warriors' 71-53 win at Edwardsville Friday. The senior center scored 23 points and added 7 rebounds as Granite City upped its record to 15-7.

(Staff photo by Dave Whaley)

by Dave Whaley

Executive sports editor

EDWARDSVILLE — Don Deterding didn't want to take anything away from Tom Taylor, but the Warriors' coach envisioned himself as a star on Friday night.

"When we're penetrating and passing the ball off like that inside, I think I could score a bunch of points if I was posted up on the blocks in there," Deterding said.

Instead, Deterding let Taylor, the Warriors' 6-3 center, muscle inside for 23 points as Granite City rolled to a 71-53 non-conference decision over the hapless Edwardsville Tigers.

The Warriors were 15-7 heading into Saturday night's big Southwestern Conference game at East St. Louis, while the Tigers fell to 1-18.

Taylor set the tone for the game when Jamie Hogan hit him with a pass for an easy layup less than 10 seconds after the opening tipoff, and the Warriors were never really in trouble the rest of the night. They jumped out to a 6-0 lead and steadily increased it throughout the night.

"Taking that 6-0 lead was very important," Deterding said. "You have to get out in front of a team like this right away."

The Tigers were victims of poor shooting throughout the night, as they made only 20 of 61 shots, and only 5 of 15 in the first quarter. It was 12-9 until a Taylor layup and a steal and layup by Jamie Hogan, then Taylor's nice tap-in at the buzzer gave the Warriors a 20-13 lead.

"I've said it all year and I'll continue to say it, but when the Hogans penetrate and pass the ball off like they can, Taylor will score a zillion points," Deterding

GRANITE CITY	SCORING	23	14	14	23	71
EDWARDSVILLE		10	10	11	10	53

GRANITE CITY: Taylor 23, T. Hogan 10 (10 assists), J. Hogan 10, Wiley 10, Briggs 4, Rykowski 4, Valer 4, Sanders 2, Scott 2, Miles 4, Williams 2, Foster, FT-18.

EDWARDSVILLE: Sussa 22, Harris 8, Johnson 7, Sherrod 5, Burns 4, Tuttle 4, Wilson 2, FT-25, FT-12, FT-15.

said. "Everybody thinks of the Hogans as scorers, but we're at our best when they are driving in and passing the ball off."

Tim Hogan did that very well, picking up 10 assists to go with 10 points. His point total left him with 994 for his career, and his sixth point during the East St. Louis game made him the fifth player in Granite City history to score 1,000 points.

The Warriors ran off eight straight points in the second quarter to turn a five-point game into a 32-19 lead as Taylor scored twice while Jamie Hogan and Eric Rykowski scored once each. It was 34-23 at halftime.

Taylor continued to add to his point total in the third quarter, but the most spectacular basket — the evening's best — belonged to Greg Lilley, who converted a long, looping pass from Tim Hogan for a backhanded layup that looked like something out of Michael Jordan's repertoire.

That gave the Warriors a 44-30 lead and they maintained that lead for the rest of the night.

"Lilley gave us a good game tonight," Deterding said. "But one thing about him that bothers me is that he's 6-2 and the best jumper on the team, but he doesn't get that many rebounds."

Lilley and both Hogans had 10 points apiece, and six other players also reached the score sheet.

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## Devils top Pioneers, 76-54

By Dave Whaley

Executive sports editor

EAST ST. LOUIS — Clinton Harris is hoping the Venice Red Devils' last regular season game will serve as a wakeup call to his players for the post-season.

Oh, the Devils won the game all right, and by a comfortable margin. But the 76-54 win over the East St. Louis Assumption Pioneers Thursday night was hardly a work of art. In fact, Harris talked after the game as if he had just watched his team get crushed into the ground.

"We weren't doing anything right tonight," he said after watching his team finish the regular season with their third win in a row and a 21-2 mark. "I mean, everything was bad. We didn't shoot, didn't rebound and didn't play good defense."

But it all added up to another victory, and the Devils get a week of practice to get ready for their first post-season game Thursday night in Freeburg, where they face the winner of Tuesday's Freeburg-Lovejoy game in the regional semifinals.

The Devils never trailed in the game, but only some sloppy play by the Pioneers kept Venice from being in more trouble than they were in the first half. When Assumption cut the margin to 33-30 early in the third quarter, it was an upset on the horizon.

"We worked our way back into the game nicely," said Pioneer coach Mike Kelleher, who saw his team fall to 10-13. "But we made a series of mistakes at

VENICE	SCORING	12	21	26	25	76
ESL ASSUMPTION		7	14	15	16	54

VENICE: Hall 23, Harris 17, Wigfall 16, Jackson 14, Turner 4, Wiley 2, Foster 15, FT-14, FT-9.

ESL ASSUMPTION: Harris 13, Stewart 13, Gaines 6, Jackson 6, Dixon 9, Hill 2, Horton 2, Hughes 2, Foster, FT-4, FT-12.

the wrong times that didn't help us. We've got a team of mostly young kids. There's only two seniors, so we're really building some experience and you're going to see some mistakes."

The Pioneers suffered eight turnovers in the first quarter as Venice surged to a 17-7 lead. Wilfred Wigfall put the Devils ahead for good at 6-4, then Daryl Jackson got a breakout slam dunk and a turnaround jumper, and Vincent Harris' three-point play made it 15-5.

As Jesse Hall goes, so often go the Red Devils, and he struggled in the first half, making only two of nine shots. Montifi Dixon's slam dunk trimmed Assumption's deficit to 21-13, and the Pioneers only trailed by five until Harris got a layup and a free throw in the final minute to give Venice a 29-21 lead at the intermission.

The Pioneers ran off a 9-4 spurt at the beginning of the third quarter, and baskets by Michael Stewart and Dixon made it 33-30, but the Devils scored the next 10 points to put the game away. Baskets by Daniel Wiley and Jackson preceded a Hall free throw, then Wigfall nailed a jumper before Hall muscled inside for a three-point play to make it 43-30.

"Every team has a chance to beat us, and every team has to beat Venice," Harris said. "So we have to be ready all the time. It might help us a little to have a bad game like this, because we'll learn that we have to be consistent in the post-season."

The fourth quarter started fast, as the Pioneers made their first seven shots, but the Devils made eight of nine to maintain their lead. But Assumption made eight more turnovers in the quarter, finishing with 24 on the game.

"I'm not usually a spectator, but I can say I enjoyed the game," Kelleher said. "We were able to be competitive with the No. 2 team in the state. We made them work for this game, and that's something we haven't done with other teams."

"They were beating us on the boards all night," Harris said. "They were getting two or three shots and we were getting only one."

The Devils were playing their second game in two nights, but that shouldn't be an excuse, Harris said.

"If we go to Champaign, we'll have to play two games in one day if we want to win," he said. "We'll take a day off tomorrow (Friday) and then go hard the rest of the week."

Hall finished with 23 points, while Harris (17), Wigfall (16) and Jackson (14) joined him in double figures. Stewart and

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VINCENT HARRIS drives to the basket around East St. Louis Assumption's Montifi Dixon during Thursday's game.

(Staff photo by Dave Whaley)

## Brandt trying for third at state wrestling meet

CHAMPAIGN — Paul Brandt was the only Granite City wrestler still active at the end of Friday night's session at the Illinois High School State Wrestling Tournament.

Brandt, a regional and sectional champion at 167 pounds, won two of his first three matches in individual competition and was rated as being a favorite for a third place finish in the meet.

After receiving a bye in the preliminary round, the senior won his first match over Steve Pyszowski of Bradley-Bourbonnais with a 6-4 decision. Brandt then lost his second round match to Eric Shultz of Tinsley Park at 4:34 with a technical fall (15-0). He came back in the third round to pin John Freckling of Gurnee-Warren after only 59 seconds.

Brandt was to wrestle again Saturday morning.

The Warriors' other three wrestlers were all eliminated in first-round matches. Brent Davis was the only one to win a match, as he took a preliminary round bout with a 19-6 decision over Kwi Seong of Carpentersville. Davis is a 98-pound class. But Davis lost a first-round match to Vernon Har-

vey of Chicago Julian, dropping a 12-5 decision.

Rich Wilson, at 126 pounds, lost his first round match to Tim Wills of Palos Hills-Stagg by a 6-3 decision, and Jon Morgan was eliminated by Dennis Vesey of Rock Island.

The two area wrestlers who had the most success in early rounds were East St. Louis' Derek Brooks and Roxana's Eric Robertson. They both won their first four matches, but both were beaten in semifinal competition late Friday night. Brooks is a 112-pounder, while Robertson is a 138-pounder.

In team competition, Cahokia, the winner of the Granite City Sectional, lost a quarterfinal match to Naperville North 39-12. Abby Myers of the Comanches won the 98-pound dual, but it was all downhill after that against Naperville, the No. 3 team in the state. All five Cahokia wrestlers who qualified as individuals were also eliminated in the early rounds.

The final sessions of the meet were to be held Saturday. Complete results on Brandt and the rest of the area's participants will appear in Wednesday's edition.

## Stars lose game, Robinson

By Gary King

Correspondent

All in all, Kirk Robinson was having a pretty good night — 13 points, six rebounds and a couple of blocked shots. Not bad, considering it was only halftime.

Bye, said Granite City Campus' leading scorer.

The four girls standing next to the Stars' bench waved goodbye to the 6-3 Robinson, as Granite City paramedics wheeled him off the court. He had spent 20 minutes dominating.

This would be Robinson's final trip off the Stars' home floor. With 36 seconds remaining in the first half of GCC's 79-77 loss to Lakeland College Thursday night, the Stars' forward had suffered torn ligaments to his knee during an attempted rebound.

In yet another dose of bitter irony for GCC coach Terry Collins, the man who had carried the Stars for two years was now being carried out of the gymnasium — on four wheels.

In memory of their fallen leader, the Stars tried to pull a victory from amid the adversity by resorting to Robinson's forte, guts. And while their efforts didn't come full circle, the mission was certainly nothing to criticize.

It took a last-second bucket by

LAKELAND	SCORING	46	37	79
GCC		26	41	77

LAKELAND: Jensen 20, Zarusen 20, Hill 17, Roy 6, Gardewine 7, Gass 5, Ester 2, FT-23 (13-pointers), FT-12, FT-10.

GCC: Thomas 22, Robinson 13, Martin 12, Steele 15, Williams 10, Jones 6, Siles 2, FT-26 (14 3-pointers), FT-1, FT-14.

Lakeland's Bob Zarusen to shed the Stars, who overcame a 42-36 halftime deficit to knot the score at 77-77 with 43 seconds left on the clock.

Spearheading the comeback effort for GCC was guard Deme-trius Thomas, who scored 18 second-half points to finish with a team-high 19 in the losing effort. But despite the heroics of his squad, which has now dwindled to six members, Collins found the two losses — to Lakeland and of Robinson — a little much to swallow in one night.

"We just didn't deserve to win," he said, staring at the floor in the GCC locker room. "The loss of Kirk sure didn't help anything. It really takes the heart out of our team. So what we'll have to do now is find a new heart, and find it quick."

Lakeland coach Wayne Lockett said he didn't see finding a new vital organ a problem for Collins.

"They're a lot better team than their 11-18 record would

indicate," said the Laker coach. "Shoot, if you keep their big man (Robinson) in there for the whole game tonight, we lose this ballgame by a big margin."

They just seem to keep coming at you. There might only be six of them, but Terry (Collins) seems to have a knack for getting his money's worth out of his kids."

Which is exactly what the Stars' leader did Thursday night, as his small-but-sturdy sextet proved to be all the Lakers could handle.

Whether by a Thomas long-range jumper, an Aaron Martin or Don Stevens string inside bucket, a strong full-court press or an effective transition game, GCC found a way to play its role of the fly on the elephant's back to the hilt.

In both halves, the Lakers opened up 11-point leads, only to watch them buckle under run-away freight-train-like "Star offensive barrages."

Lakeland widened its lead early in the second half, as they jumped to a 57-47 advantage by the 14:20 mark in the contest. Upset by the whole scenario, Thomas sparked a 16-6 GCC run to knot the score at 63-63. The two squads attempted to

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## Warriors

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as Deterding was able to clear his bench as much as he has all year. In addition to the starters, Mike A. Wilkinson, David Vaisey, Harry Briggs, Raymond Scott and Kevin Sanders all scored.

Aaron Suess was the only Tiger in double figures with 22 points. Edwardsville has only three seniors on the team and has lost 11 in a row.

"I was worried about the game," Deterding said. "We spent the week preparing for East St. Louis, and that's not a slup at Edwardsville. But both of those teams play similar 2-3 zones, so we could prepare for both. But I know the kids wonder when I talk about East St. Louis all week, and there is a chance we might look past this team. But this team usually plays us well. I would have liked it better if we had another not-so-strong team on Saturday night."

But Taylor made us look good tonight. He had a real good first half, and he went to the boards well. His jumping has improved, and that's because he's lost about 20 pounds from last year."

## Stars

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settle the issue for the remaining 6:20 of the game, with Zerrusen's bucket at the buzzer serving as the final verdict. Zerrusen was an all-state player last year for undefeated Class A champion Teutopolis.

"When a player like #44 (Robinson) goes down, a team will either fold up and get blown out or play on the trouble as an incentive," Lockett said. "I think that's what they did. They really came out like gangbusters in the second half."

Collins, on the other hand, said he won't be able to tell the extent of Robinson's loss until after Saturday night's game with East Central College, which is scheduled to get under way at 7:30 in the GCC gym.

"We're not going to tell the true effect of Kirt's loss in one half of basketball," he said. "The real effect will hit us down the road. I'm counting on our three sophomores to give us new heart. If they can, we'll overcome this. If they can't, we won't. It's that simple."

## Devils

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Chris Harris had 13 points apiece for the Pioneers. The Devils took only 12 of 30 in the first half and finished at 31 of 60 (51 percent), while Assumption was 25 of 54 (47 percent). The Devils were 14 of 23 from the free throw line.

NOTES: Dale Turner sprained his ankle in the first half and was kept out of the rest of the game for precautionary reasons. Hall is a nominee for the 1987 McDonald's All-American High School Basketball team. He will be honored at halftime of Thursday's game at Freeburg. As a nominee, he is in the running to be one of 25 members to play in the 10th Annual McDonald's All-American Game in Philadelphia April 12. The game will be televised on ABC-TV. Team selections will be announced sometime next month.

## Sports briefs



### That's two

J.D. SOBOL of Granite City (center) caught this 12 pound, 5 ounce rainbow trout at Lake Taneycomo in southwestern Missouri recently. He caught the fish using a three-pound test line while trolling a "Little Cleo." Sobol caught an 11 pound, 5 ounce rainbow trout on his last trip to the lake in November, so he has caught two "fish of a lifetime" in consecutive trips. With him are Rich Takmajian (left) and Ray Takmajian.

### MMS triumphs at Collinsville

Madison Middle School won the 43rd Annual Collinsville Junior High School Invitational Basketball Tournament the week of Feb. 9.

The Spartans clinched the championship with a 49-32 win over the Sparta Cardinals on Feb. 13. Madison opened the tournament with a 61-19 shellacking of Holy Cross on Feb. 9, and followed with a 55-35 win over the East Alton Bullets Feb. 11.

In the opener, Madison jumped to a 27-5 lead in the first quarter and breezed to the win behind 16 points from Andre Mays.

They held only a 28-24 lead at halftime against East Alton, but outscored the Bullets 14-2 in the third quarter to take charge. Ervin Claggett led the way with 16 points, while Mays and Tony Smith added 10 apiece.

In the title game, the Spartans trailed 10-9 after one quarter, but outscored Sparta 18-4 in the second quarter to take charge. Claggett led the way with 14 points, while Mays and Federico Walker each added 10.

Mays won the free throw shooting contest by sinking 42 of 50 shots.

### QCSA has more registration

The Quad Cities Soccer Association has announced that one more registration session will be held for the 1987 season. Registration will be at the Knights of Columbus Hall, 4225 Old Alton Road, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. Saturday, Feb. 29. Registration will be for all children

Please register as soon as possible so a spot may be saved for all teams. Part payment must be received by April 1 so that schedules may be made up. For information about cost, schedules and rules, please contact Nelson Hediger at 931-6338.

### GCC has three wrestlers in national meet

Granite City Campus qualified three wrestlers for the National Junior College Athletic Association national meet to be held in DuPage, Ill.

The three Stars qualified at the regional meet held at Harper Junior College in Palatine Ill. Feb. 13-14. All three are freshmen.

They are Mark Dunno of Milwaukee, Wis., who wrestles in the 134-pound weight class; Wayne Roberson of Hazelwood East in St. Louis, a 142-pounder; and Eric Lovelace, a former state champion from Maryland, who is a 167-pounder.

Dunno has a 16-6 record this year, while Roberson is 20-7. GCC coach Alan Grammer said he expects both of them to place in the national tournament. Lovelace has a 12-12 mark.

The nationals begin Wednesday and continue through Saturday.

### Trittschuh wins duck call contest

Jack Trittschuh, 23, of Granite City, won the Missouri-Trier Open duck calling championship held Feb. 4.

Trittschuh is the brother of Steve Trittschuh, a Granite City North graduate who was an All-American soccer player at SIUE. Jack Trittschuh used a Carlson champ duck call. For more information on that, call him at 451-0936.

### GCHS physicals set for Feb. 23

Physicals for all students wishing to take part in spring sports at Granite City High School will be held Monday, Feb. 23 at 5 p.m. in the main gym.

All athletes must pay a fee of \$10 for the physicals, and the check should be made payable to the Granite City High School Athletic Department.

### Softball meeting this Tuesday

The Madison Parks and Recreation Department will hold its softball meeting on Tuesday, Feb. 24, at 7 p.m. at the Madison Memorial Center, 7th and Lee.

Any team interested is urged to attend. If unable to attend, please call Jim Broadway at 451-1440.

### Nelson's still accepting teams

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